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British tighten net around Port Stanley

LONDON (Reuters). — The battle for the Falklands neared a climax yesterday after British troops were reported to have captured strategic heights near the capital, Port Stanley.

High-level defence sources in London said the advancing British forces had taken Mount Kent, which dominates a coastal plain leading to the town, 16 kilometres away.

The sources said earlier that control of Mount Kent and surrounding foothills would clear the way for an assault on the main 7,000-strong Argentine garrison.

The garrison was now virtually encircled, with two British parachute regiments pressing hard from the west and the naval task force anchored off the coast to the east.

The British sources said a small number of Argentine soldiers had been killed, but no British lives were lost.

The Argentine command said its

warplanes had bombed Mount Kent, but it gave no details.

Earlier, military sources in Buenos Aires said Argentine planes strafed the advancing British forces as the defenders reinforced their positions around Port Stanley. They said they expected the area to be the scene of the heaviest fighting since British troops landed in strength on East Falkland Island on May 21.

The British Defence Ministry meanwhile announced that about 250 Argentine soldiers had been killed in the battle for Goose Green settlement last Friday. British casualties at Goose Green and neighbouring Darwin were 16 dead and 31 wounded.

In London, Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, has come under mounting pressure to avoid humiliating Argentina and she is being urged to offer Buenos Aires one last chance to prevent further casualties.

Calls for British magnanimity have been voiced by U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig, leading opposition politicians in Britain and even a faction of Thatcher's ruling Conservative Party.

But government sources said yesterday any offer to Argentine troops entrenched around Port Stanley would be up to Britain's commander in the battle zone.

British defence sources said they did not expect a big offensive for several days "because a lot of men and stores have to be moved about." But they said shelling and bombing raids against the Argentine troops would continue.

Israel: no Gabriel missiles to Argentina

Post Diplomatic Reporter

Foreign Ministry spokesman Avi Pazner yesterday strongly denied the story published in this week's *Sunday Times*, which reported that Israel is supplying Argentina with Gabriel sea-to-sea missiles via Peru.

The whole report is "completely without foundation," said Pazner, adding that Israel has sold no Gabriels or any similar missiles to Argentina.

Habib due back next week

Post Diplomatic Reporter

U.S. special Middle East envoy Philip Habib will arrive in Israel next week to help shore up the cease-fire he arranged last July between Israel and the PLO in Lebanon.

Israeli and diplomatic sources were unable to say yesterday when Habib is expected in Israel, but thought it likely he will arrive early next week after a stopover in Lebanon.

Reports from Washington indicated yesterday that Habib would be bringing with him proposals for a comprehensive settlement of the protracted Lebanese crisis — involving the withdrawal of foreign (Syrian) troops from the country, the disarming of various elements in the country and the re-inclusion of Major Sa'ad Haddad's Southern Lebanese enclave in the Beirut-governed state structure.

Diplomatic sources declined

yesterday to say why Habib had found the present time appropriate to launch his new peace initiative.

AP reports from Beirut: Lebanese Foreign Minister Faud Butros said yesterday the U.S. could not act alone to solve the crisis in Lebanon and a role must be provided for the Soviet Union.

Lebanese government sources said they were sceptical that Habib would bring any concrete ideas to help bring about a reconciliation between Lebanon's warring Moslems and Christians.

The sources stressed that tackling such basic issues was essential in view of the fact that Lebanese presidential elections were scheduled to be held in July and August to replace incumbent Elias Sarkis, whose term expires on September 23.

Observers believe the elections could set the stage for a new round of civil strife in Lebanon.

U.S. senator meets PLO officer in Tyre

TYRE, Lebanon (AP). — U.S. Senator Claiborne Pell, touring Palestinian-controlled areas in South Lebanon, met yesterday with the terrorists' military commander in this port city, sources said.

The senator from Rhode Island, ranking Democrat on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee was touring Tyre's Roman ruins when a western correspondent spotted him and asked him if he planned to meet any PLO representatives.

"No. Certainly not," the

officer in Tyre

reporter quoted Pell as replying. But a few minutes later Pell left the ruins, and the sources said he went to the Rashidiyah refugee camp where he met Col. Azmi Sughayr.

In Beirut, a U.S. Embassy spokesman confirmed that Pell was in South Lebanon and said the senator met the governor of the south, Halim Fayyad, in Sidon yesterday morning. But the spokesman said he could provide no further information on the senator's itinerary.

Sanctions curtail TV newscasts

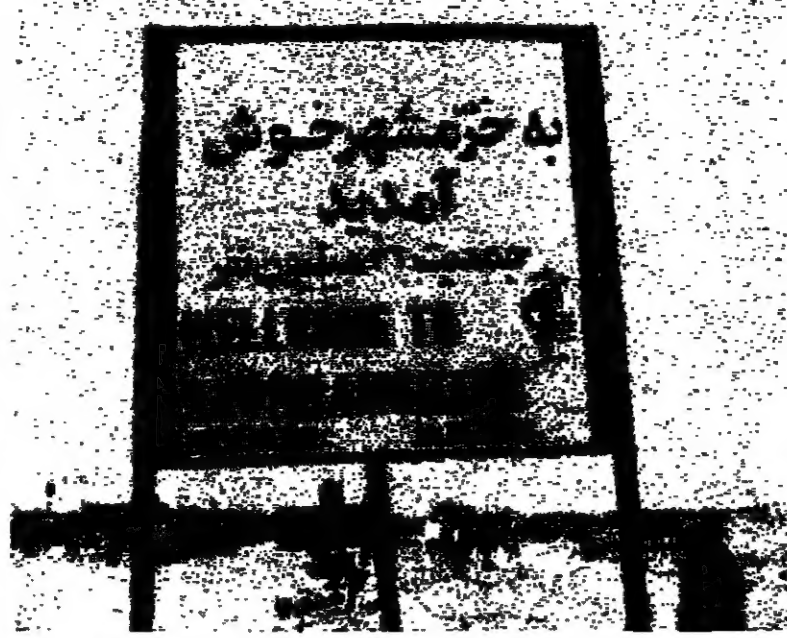
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The *Mabat* news on Israel TV was abridged to 15 minutes and the late TV news programme was cancelled last night for the second consecutive day as part of the intensifying sanctions of TV staffers.

Broadcasting Authority director-general Josef Lapid returned from a South African vacation yesterday, and started to hold meetings about the sanctions, which are being applied by news staffers, technicians, administrative workers and production staff, over the issue of re-

grading. Lapid was almost completely out of contact and had to be briefed on the problems affecting TV House.

The authority's board of directors is scheduled to meet in special session on Friday. A few of the members are expected to demand that TV shut down unless the workers stop their sanctions. Lapid will soon meet with Education Minister Zevulun Hammer, who is responsible for implementation of the Broadcasting Law, to discuss the minister's position on the sanctions.



When Iranian forces recently recaptured Khormashahr, the major port city they lost to the Iraqi invaders in 1980, they found the city totally destroyed. They promptly put up this sign, implying that all 36 million Iranians were the inhabitants of the ravaged city. See story on page 4. (UPI telephoto)

Khalil says renewal of talks up to Israel

By JEFFREY HELLER

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Former Egyptian prime minister Mustapha Khalil said yesterday it is up to Israel to get the Palestinian autonomy talks moving again.

"In my opinion, the person (who) raised the problem has to find a solution to the problem," Khalil said, in reference to Prime Minister Menachem Begin's insistence that Jerusalem, Cairo and Washington, serve as venues for resumption of the long-stalled negotiations.

Speaking at a news conference at the Dan Hotel, Khalil declined comment on the significance or the subjects that might be raised during talks, which Egyptian Foreign Minister Kamel Hassan Ali is expected to hold today with Israeli leaders.

Khalil is deputy chairman of Egypt's ruling National Democratic Party and head of a four-member party delegation now visiting Israel at the invitation of the Labour Party. The delegation leaves for home on Friday.

Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Butros Ghali was absent from the press conference, but the spokesman said only that Khalil, along with Labour party leaders, had been scheduled to attend. He said Ghali was in the hotel at the time.

Answering a question in Arabic about the Jerusalem issue, Khalil replied: "It is unacceptable that one side says, 'the talks must be held ac-

cording to our conditions, or not at all.'"

Khalil was also asked if President Hosni Mubarak intends to come to Israel in the near future.

"I think if we like to judge his intentions, we can judge (them) by (our trip to Israel)," he said, noting that Mubarak had personally approved the delegation's visit.

Khalil then launched a sharp attack against the official Israeli attitude toward the Egyptian leader's refusal to visit Jerusalem.

"Unfortunately, there came a situation which was not started by President Mubarak, but leaked to the press in Israel, in the time when we were discussing ways and means to try to find a solution," Khalil said. "Then, all of a sudden, the Egyptian officials were met with another... counter-official-position from the Israeli cabinet."

Khalil was apparently referring to then-cabinet secretary Arye Naor's statement April 30 that "if President Mubarak insists that Jerusalem not be included in his visit to Israel, we will have to do without this important visit."

The phrasing of the statement, Khalil said, was not the proper way to address the president of another country — a friendly country. "If I were in the position of Mr. Hosni Mubarak, and addressed this way, I (could) never accept it."

In his prepared remarks, Khalil, alluding to the volatile situation stemming from the Gulf war, called

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Tindemans' visit deemed 'successful'

Genscher due today

By BENNY MORRIS

Post Diplomatic Reporter

West German Foreign Minister Hans Dietrich Genscher is due to arrive in Israel this evening for a 36-hour official visit, a day after the cabinet heard very optimistic reports by Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir about the visit, which ended yesterday, of Belgian Foreign Minister Leo Tindemans.

At yesterday's special cabinet meeting devoted to defence and diplomatic affairs, Shamir described Tindemans' visit as "successful," giving special mention to Tindemans' public support for the Camp David process and his guarded praise of the autonomy scheme.

Tindemans, currently president of the EEC Council of Ministers, described the autonomy scheme, at a press conference in Jerusalem on Monday, as "a most important confidence-building measure in the area" and as "a very important chapter in the evolution of the situa-

tion in the region." On the Camp David peace process framework, Tindemans said that it has "the merit of existence" — by implication contrasting it to other plans and initiatives which have proven stillborn.

Officials in Jerusalem, taking their cue from Tindemans' declared intention to submit a report to the council of ministers which could trigger a fresh evaluation by the 10 countries of their Middle East policy, are hopeful that the European Community is now poised on the verge of formally or quietly abandoning the Venice Declaration of June 1980.

That statement, which has since served as the official basis of the policies of the EEC states towards the Middle East conflict, upholds the right of the Palestinians to self-determination and calls for the "association" of the PLO in the peace process.

Israeli officials now hope to persuade Genscher that Venice should be superseded and that the EEC

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Foreign Minister Ali to deliver message to Begin today

Mubarak won't attend Washington summit

By BENNY MORRIS

and ASHER WALLFISH

Jerusalem Post Reporters

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak will probably not attend the three-way Washington summit proposed last month by U.S. President Ronald Reagan. Reliable sources close to the visiting Egyptian National Democratic Party delegation said yesterday that Egyptian Foreign Minister Kamel Hassan Ali, due to arrive in Jerusalem this afternoon, will probably deliver a message to this effect from Mubarak to Prime Minister Menachem Begin.

Mubarak's chief aide, Osama Al-Baz, reportedly said in Cairo last night that Mubarak would not go to Washington to see Reagan and Begin since no solution has yet been found to holding the autonomy talks, which were due to figure largely in the summit.

Egyptian Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs Butros Ghali, one of the visiting NDP leaders, was due to return to Cairo via Elat and Etzion last night, but has remained in Israel and will join Ali this evening in the talks with Begin and Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

The sources explained that Mubarak's decision not to attend a summit in Washington is based on his evaluation that the proposed

meeting has been insufficiently prepared for and that he is unwilling to risk a failure.

Reagan had proposed the summit primarily to break the present logjam in the autonomy negotiations.

A spokesman for the Prime Minister's Office said in reaction to reports about Mubarak's decision not to attend the proposed summit, that the government wishes first to see what Ali will bring from Cairo before responding in the news media.

The spokesman added that the Washington summit had not in fact been formally proposed to Israel and that Begin's remark at yesterday's cabinet meeting that he would be willing to attend the summit was "tentative and informal."

Mubarak apparently feels that the main obstacle, based on Israel's insistence that the next round of talks be held in Jerusalem and Egypt's refusal to agree to Jerusalem as a possible venue, must first be broken before a fruitful summit can be organized. Mubarak feels a failed summit would be bad for everybody, said the sources.

The sources also said that Mubarak does not feel free at the moment to leave Egypt for an extended period for internal Egyptian reasons.

Mubarak unexpectedly and promptly dispatched Ali to Jerusalem to head off possible friction in Israeli-Egyptian relations,

following American and Israeli announcements approving the summit idea and his plans not to attend.

According to sources close to the NDP delegation, Mubarak's reluctance to go to the Washington summit was influenced as well by Egyptian concern about the deteriorating situation in the West Bank and by the precarious military situation of Iraq — where a further Iranian victory may lead to President Saddam Hussein's downfall.

Before Mubarak's announcement, Begin may well have put the lid on the possibility of a tripartite summit at yesterday's special cabinet session, when he told the ministers that he would discuss autonomy in Washington with Reagan and Mubarak only if he got a commitment from Egypt that Jerusalem would be one of the venues for the renewed autonomy negotiations.

Begin said he was willing to attend a three-way summit in Washington and that before leaving for the U.S. the cabinet would hold a full-dress political discussion.

Begin also read to the cabinet the recent messages he got from Reagan and from Secretary of State Alexander Haig and the replies he wrote to them. The Reagan and Haig messages were described to *The Jerusalem Post* as "most friendly."

Reagan expressed his apprecia-

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Sharon defends arms sales statements

By ASHER WALLFISH

and BENNY MORRIS

Defence Minister Ariel Sharon said yesterday that he revealed details about Israeli arms sales to Iran during his recent visit to the U.S. "because (U.S.) official circles had leaked material to the media in order to portray Israel as the devil's accomplice."

"These circles sought to tarnish Israel's image on the eve of my visit," Sharon declared, at the special cabinet session to which he reported on his meetings in the U.S. Sharon waved a press clipping to emphasize his point.

(In fact only one column featured a blast against Israel over arms sales, in the days prior to Sharon's visit — the column written by Evans and Novak, which appears in *The Washington Post*.)

Claiming, however, that a cam-

paign to besmirch Israel was raging, Sharon said he decided "to deflate the exaggerated reports and portray the arms sales in their correct proportion, since they amounted to only \$27m."

Sharon told his colleagues: "Had I denied the arms sales, I would not have been believed. I did not reveal any secrets. I merely wanted to set the record straight, and to stress that the U.S. authorities were aware of what we sold Iran."

After the cabinet session, cabinet secretary Dan Meridor said that Sharon's statements in the U.S. about arms to Iran "were not criticized in substance" during the session. Meridor said he hoped the media would now drop this subject.

In fact, only two ministers, Tourism Minister Avraham Shafir and Interior Minister Yosef Burg, chided Sharon.

Shafir said Sharon's remarks did Israel's cause great damage. The harm was done with regard to the American nation and not the administration, Shafir said, since the wound caused by the Tehran Embassy hostages affair still rankled badly and Sharon had opened it up again.

He said that too many delicate matters of state had been leaked in past months, including such decisions as the bombing of the Iraqi nuclear reactor last summer.

Burg said that in his view Sharon's comments on the arms sales were out of place. He said that in future, statements about Israel's arms sales should only be issued after they had been approved in an authorized forum — which had not been the case with Sharon's statements in the U.S.

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State attorneys back court workers

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — With no end in sight to their wage dispute and the accompanying courtroom chaos, the court workers yesterday received words of support from the State Attorneys Association.

"Our organization views the court workers' struggle as a just one," a spokesman for the body said, calling for the government to show greater flexibility toward the workers' wage demands.

Most of the country's 750 court employees found truncated salaries in their bank accounts yesterday. The Courts Administration, reacting to 30 days of work sanctions by the employees, on Monday sent telegrams directing banks to top 80 per cent off monthly wages paid directly into accounts.

Yesterday, court workers barricaded the entrances to courthouses in the Supreme Court building in Jerusalem.

In Tel Aviv, as barricades of tables and chairs failed to come down, District Court Judge David Wallach signed orders to release Yoel Levy and Alberto Protalona, suspected of breaking into a jewelry store, from custody.

They have been held since January and yesterday marked the fourth time since the sanctions started that a session was scheduled to hear their attorney's petition to release them on bail.

"It would seem a new situation has arisen... courts have ceased to work," Wallach said, as witnesses were barred by the court staff from appearing before him.

The prosecution was granted 48 hours to appeal the release order in the Supreme Court, but unless a way is found to settle the wage dispute, its chances of gaining a hearing are slim.

Courts in the north were also not functioning, as workers held protest meetings.



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Safed	53	11-23	24
Haifa Port	44	19-25	25
Tiberias	47	16-31	32
Nazareth	40	13-24	25
Afula	48	13-27	27
Sharon	50	12-24	25
Tel Aviv	68	17-26	26
B-G Airport	49	16-26	26
Jericho	—	16-32	33
Gaza	67	18-24	25
Beersheba	27	13-28	28
Eilat	13	21-34	35

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

U.S. Ambassador Samuel Lewis, Miami Beach Mayor Norman Cisment, Ramat Gan Mayor Israel Peled, World WIZO president Raya Jaglom, and WIZO Israel chairman Michal Modai yesterday attended the opening ceremony of the WIZO-Miami Beach Community Centre in Ramat Gan.

Outgoing National Insurance Institute director-general Rafi Roter was presented the Knesset Medal yesterday by Knesset Speaker Menachem Savidor at a farewell session of the Labour and Social Affairs Committee held in Roter's honour.

Ze'ev Hymowitz, director of JDC Israel, will speak on "JDC's Lifesaving Activity in Israel and Throughout the World" at the weekly meeting of the Jerusalem Rotary Club at the YMCA, 1 p.m. today.

The Haifa Rotary Club will hold a business meeting at the Nof Hotel, 1 p.m. today.

Tenth anniversary of Lod airport massacre

BEN-GURION AIRPORT (Itim). — Ten thousand citizens of the free world have died in terror attacks during the last decade, Transport Minister Haim Corfu said yesterday, at a ceremony marking the tenth anniversary of the Lod Airport Massacre.

A total of 26 people, most of them Puerto Rican pilgrims, were shot to death in the airport by three Japanese gunmen, acting on behalf of a Palestinian terrorist group, on May 30, 1972. Two of the Japanese were killed in a shootout with security forces and the third, Kozo Okamoto is serving a life sentence in Ramle Prison.

Corfu said that despite the escalation of terrorism in the last 10 years the free world has still not united to fight the evil.

PRIZE. — The American Jewish Committee's annual prize has been awarded to Prof. Emanuel Rackman, president of Bar-Ilan University, for his contribution to the American Jewish community and his role as a liaison between it and Israel.

The Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities The Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot The Van Leer Jerusalem Foundation are holding a special session in memory of

Aharon Katchalsky marking the tenth anniversary of his tragic death and His Scientific Activities and His Contributions to the State and Society

Speakers: Ephraim E. Urbach Yuval Ne'eman Shmuel Morhav Nathan Rotenstreich Moshe Lissak Avraham Katzir Jacob Shalem Amos Richmond Lectures will be given in Hebrew Sunday, 6 June 1982 at 4.30 p.m., at the lecture hall of the Van Leer Jerusalem Foundation, Albert Einstein Square, Tel-Aviv, Jerusalem.

HOME NEWS

Biton denies he intended to bolt DFPE

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN
Post Knesset Reporter

MK Charlie Biton (Democratic Front for Peace and Equality) said yesterday that he had no intention of bolting from his Knesset faction to join the coalition, as was reported in yesterday's *Yediot Aharonot*.

But this was no routine denial of a press report, and Biton declined the many invitations offered, him by reporters at his press conference in the Knesset yesterday to denounce the report or the reporter (Gideon Reicher), to whom he admitted he had spoken on Monday night.

Biton walked into the press conference with Tewfik Toubi, head of the DFPE faction, who earlier in the day had told Kol Yisrael of his shock at reading the report of Biton's alleged intentions. Toubi helped Biton now and then to field embarrassing questions.

Biton represents the Black Panther part of the Democratic Front, and what is clear is that a majority of the Panthers' 20-man secretariat voted yesterday that they break up their partnership with Rakah (the New Communist Party). But they decided to leave the decision to the party's central committee of over 400.

If a majority of the central committee votes to leave the Democratic Front, said Biton, he will return his mandate to the DFPE and quit politics. He said he knew of no existing political body through which the Panthers could do better.

He also denied that he had been in contact either with Prime Minister Menachem Begin or Deputy Prime Minister David Levy, on his joining the coalition, or that any meeting had been scheduled with either one of them.



Knesset members Charlie Biton and Tewfik Toubi face reporters at their press conference in the House yesterday. (Rahamim Israeli)

Nor was it true, Biton said, that before the last no-confidence vote, he had informed the Likud that if its majority was in jeopardy he would abstain, to keep the government from falling. (Sources close to Begin likewise denied the story.)

Biton blamed "some members of the secretariat" for leaking the report about the intention to defect.

But when asked whether *Yediot's* report was "a lie," Biton rejected that term, and gave a rambling, non-committal reply when asked whether Reicher had distorted what Biton had told him.

"Was there ever a moment when you considered defecting?" another questioner asked.

"I can't make such a decision on my own — only the central committee can do that," was the reply.

"When you heard the case of those who favoured defection, did you ever consider going along with them?"

"No," Biton replied. Toubi expressed the hope that Biton and his colleagues would re-

ject "the evil proposals," which he said could only harm the interests the Panthers represent.

"Charlie belongs in the Democratic Front, and I have no doubt he'll stay with us," Toubi said.

The view of the secessionists was later explained to reporters by secretariat member Meir Deri. He said that the Panthers had lost their special character in the DFPE as fighters for the disadvantaged classes.

Knesset observers noted that if Biton did quit the Democratic Front he would not be entitled to party financing.

The best, though only partial, explanation of the defection-that-wasn't is that Biton indeed never intended to defect or to join the coalition (who might not even want such a partner), but that he gave currency to the rumours in order to bring pressure on the Democratic Front.

Pressure for what? That is the question.

Moshav residents block road

MOSHAV MASHEN (Itim). — Thirty residents of this village near Ashkelon, including four women, were arrested yesterday after they blocked the main Ashkelon-Kiryat Gat highway for an hour and a half. The village has been on strike for three days.

The demonstrators were protesting the failure of the director-general of the Agriculture Ministry to meet with them and discuss their financial problems. They claimed that such a meeting had been promised for yesterday.

A police officer was injured while the demonstrators were being dispersed. He was sent to the Ashkelon hospital.

The moshav is continuing its strike, with no work being done, no non-resident allowed to enter, and the school closed. Moshav members say that in light of their IS30 million in debts, Mashen should be put on the Agriculture Ministry's list of settlements entitled to special aid.

In a related development, the Ministry of Agriculture yesterday denounced the steps taken by resi-

dents of the northern moshav of Margalit to protest what they term their deteriorating financial situation.

Members of Margalit, on the Lebanese border, yesterday closed the gates of the settlement, kept their children home from school, did not go to work and refused to permit supplies to be delivered. They hung placards on the perimeter fence, declaring "Margalit — the end of the road" and "A moshav of artillery shells is no address."

They warned that if the authorities do not begin negotiating with them, they will intensify their action and block traffic on the northern border road.

Agriculture Ministry sources responded by stating that demonstrations held for the benefit of the press would not induce them to change their policies. They said that the moshav had received substantial assistance and that any recent difficulties have been caused by the residents' own faulty management.

Change of guard at Beit Shemesh Engines

Jerusalem Post Reporter
BEIT SHEMESH. — A spokesman for Beit Shemesh Engines Ltd. announced here yesterday that the company's directors had accepted the resignation of general manager Avia Shalif and appointed Tat-Aluf Michael Cohen as acting general manager effective today. Cohen was until last week chief of logistics in the air force.

Shalif was forced to quit by a Defence Ministry committee examining the situation in the plant beset by tense labour relations. Beit Shemesh Engines is to build the engine for the projected Lavie jet fighter.

Meanwhile, the outgoing presi-

dent of the Israel Aircraft Industry, Gavriel Gidor, yesterday denied he was quitting because of differences with Defence Minister Ariel Sharon.

Gidor insisted he was going for "personal reasons." His family is known to have a large business in Switzerland and, according to one unconfirmed report, he was planning to manage it.

Gidor's statement was issued after an afternoon paper published a report quoting "sources close to Gidor" as saying he was going because of long standing tension with Sharon, stemming from the minister's moves to curtail the IAI's freedom as a government corporation.

Greenfeld leads field in chess championship

TEL AVIV. — At the national chess championship being held at Yad Lebanim here, Alon Greenfeld, 18, of Beersheba is leading the field of 16 with 8 out of 9 games. His score is 7 wins and two draws (a draw counts ½ point). He is the only undefeated contender so far.

Greenfeld last year came in second in both the world junior and the European junior chess championships.

In second place in Tel Aviv is national champion Nathan Birenbaum, 29, of Rehovot, ½ points behind Greenfeld with 6½. In third place is grandmaster Yehuda Greenfeld, 24, of Petah Tikva, with 6 points.

A separate championship for women is being held with 12 participants. The current leaders are two Israeli ex-champions: Luba Kristol and Olga Pederjanskaya, who have each won 6 games.

Navon inaugurates Hebrew Book Week

President Yitzhak Navon opened Hebrew Book Week yesterday at a ceremony at Beit Hanassi.

Education and Culture Minister Ze'evulun Hammer, publishers, writers and poets took part in the ceremony.

Navon appealed to the Education Ministry to reconsider his suggestion of several years ago to subsidize certain books, as determined by a panel of experts, so that they may be more widely read.

Seasickness study

KFAR SAVA. — The country's first research institute for the study of motion sickness was inaugurated Monday at Meir Hospital here. The institute will be run by the navy in cooperation with the hospital, Tel Aviv University and Kupat Holim.

GENSCHER

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states should endorse Camp David and the autonomy scheme as the sole framework for achieving Middle East peace.

But diplomatic observers do not expect the EEC, even if so persuaded by changing circumstances and Israeli argumentation, to renounce Venice formally and to publicly enunciate a new, alternative formula. "Of course, they could let it die quietly, while at the same time coming out with the pro-Camp David formulation that Israel is seeking," said the observer.

Following the pro-Israeli turn of French foreign policy and Tindemans' somewhat unexpected enthusiastic endorsement of Camp David, Israeli officials believe that the time is ripe for a change in West German policy and in that of the rest of the EEC.

West German officials in Bonn yesterday told journalists in a briefing about the impending Genscher visit that West Germany stands by the Venice Declaration.

They also said West Germany supports the "territorial integrity" of Lebanon and opposes the Israeli government's policy of building settlements in the West Bank.

During the scheduled three-and-a-half hour talk between Shamir and Genscher tomorrow, Shamir is expected to raise the possibility of setting up a "mixed commission" with West Germany to look into possible economic and development projects and to ask for German action against the Arab boycott.

The subject of mooted West German arms sales to Saudi Arabia and other Arab states may be touched upon in the talks but Israeli officials were recently reassured on this score by a German announcement that Bonn would not now sell tanks to the Saudis.

At yesterday's cabinet meeting, Begin described the course of his own conversation on Monday with Tindemans, which the Belgian foreign minister subsequently said had been one of the most remarkable he had experienced in his career.

During the talk, Tindemans explained that getting all the 10 to agree to a new document would prove difficult, given the variety of issues within the community on the issues involved.

During his stay in Jerusalem, Genscher will meet with President Yitzhak Navon, Begin and Liberal Party chief Simha Ehrlich.

Employers warn Hisradrut they will break off talks

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The private employers yesterday threatened to break off wage negotiations with the Histadrut, unless the labour federation drops its demand for a wage increase going beyond compensation for price rises.

The threat was issued after yesterday's meeting of the Coordinating Bureau of Economic Organizations on the eve of tomorrow's meeting between management and labour.

The negotiations had achieved an agreement on the cost-of-living allowance, compensating workers for most price-rises; but has demanded a 12 per cent pay hike but a spokesman for the coordinating bureau said management was offering "a lot less." The source declined to reveal exact figures.

The new wage agreement was to have gone into effect on April 1. In an attempt to exert pressure on the Histadrut, the coordinating bureau said yesterday that unless an agreement is reached shortly each employer will be free to negotiate with his workers, and that might harm employees in some enterprises.

In a related development the Histadrut reiterated its opposition to Finance Minister Yoram Aridor's proposal for tripartite wage negotiations.

Secretary-General Yeroham

Meshel wrote Aridor that the Histadrut and the private employers agreed that the Co-L allowance agreement should be concluded between them and be imposed on the entire economy, including the public service sector.

As to the agreement on basic wages, he said there were different specifications for negotiations with private employers and the public service sector so the talks should be on parallel lines.

Meanwhile the Civil Servants Union criticized the Treasury for failing to make good Aridor's promise to pay an extra IS300 to all public servants earning less than IS11,733 a month. The union's general-secretary, Reuven Ben-Ami, said this was "a new record in the government's lack of credibility."

A spokesman for the Treasury said yesterday that if Ben-Ami had checked the facts, he would have seen that there was no problem of non-payment.

The government had only been paying its employees advances because the strike in the Office Mechanization Centre, which ended only a few weeks ago, had made it impossible to pay civil servants their correct salaries.

The civil servants had already received salaries for February and March, said the spokesman and would receive their April wage next week, including the IS300 increment for the lower-paid employees.

Electric workers ready more sanctions

HAIFA. — Six thousand Electric Corporation workers will soon intensify their job action, the secretariat of their national committee decided here yesterday.

The workers started sanctions three weeks ago to force management to continue granting them automatic upgrading and since then have been working to rules without overtime.

The decision of the secretariat is subject to approval by the workers' national staff council, due to meet today. If the council approves the move, work will be stopped sporadically in various departments without notice.

The added sanctions, if carried out, will impair the Corporation's service and probably lead to power cuts.

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Burg, like Sharir, also criticised the chief of staff, Rav Aluf Rafael Eitan, for recent "poorly considered statements."

Sharon countered that it was a cause for regret when a minister on a mission abroad was criticized at home.

Begin, who reportedly listened with obvious approval through Sharon's lengthy report, said that Sharon merited the appreciation of the cabinet for the manner in which he had fulfilled his mission in the U.S.

One of the ministers commented that there was a good deal of hypocrisy in the world about the international arms trade, and a good deal of preaching.

On his talks in Washington, Sharon said that contrary to published reports, they took place in a cordial atmosphere. "There was no irritation and no tension. Caspar Weinberger and I even cracked jokes together," he said.

An informed source said that while the two defence chiefs stuck adamantly to their positions, and spoke bluntly — each in his characteristic way — the Weinberger-Sharon meeting could

certainly not be described as tense or unfriendly.

Sharon also told his colleagues that he had sounded several warnings in the U.S., about the danger to Israel posed by an American-inspired front in the Arab world, designed to bolster Iraq against Iran.

Sharon said he told his interlocutors that talk about an Iranian threat to overrun Iraq was "nonsense" and "exaggerated." He said he told them "a lot of fuss was being made about the front shifting one way or the other a few kilometres."

The defence minister also reported on his efforts to discourage American arms sales to Jordan, and on the briefings he gave to U.S. Jewish audiences, in order to marshal their support on issues vital to Israel's security.

Meanwhile, the Ayatollah Khomeini yesterday denied that Iran had received arms supplies from either Israel or the U.S.

"If Israel only dips its finger in the Red Sea it turns it impure. It's trying to defame Iran by saying it is supplying Iran with arms," Khomeini said in a speech broadcast on Teheran Radio.

Lebanese violence claims 155 lives during May

BEIRUT (Reuters). — One hundred and fifty-five people died in political violence in Lebanon last month, the highest figure for any month this year, security sources said.

About 60 were killed in fighting between pro- and anti-Syrian groups in the northern city of Tripoli, 17 in an explosion at a leftist party office, 11 in a blast at the French embassy and 10 in Israeli air-raids on the south. The remaining deaths occurred in other incidents.

During the same period 29 bombs exploded in Lebanon, the lowest figure so far this year.

The death toll brings the total for the first five months of the year to 546.

Meanwhile, rival armed groups fought pitched battles with artillery, rockets and machineguns in a

crowded residential area of Beirut yesterday and security sources said eight people had been killed and 40 injured.

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This notice appears in The Jerusalem Post and other publications.

New regulations issued Crossing the Jordan becomes more complex

By DAVID RICHARDSON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

In a move apparently designed to increase the West Bank population's dependence on the civil administration and the village leagues, the administration has done away with a reform introduced several years ago which simplified the procedures involved in crossing the Jordan bridges.

As of yesterday, West Bank villagers were no longer able to fill in the required form themselves, attach a revenue stamp and travel to the bridge. According to an order issued last Wednesday, the forms now have to be submitted to the local civil administration officer. Once they have been approved, the forms will be returned either via the civil administration, village leagues or local village leaders (mukhtars).

There is some confusion about how long the process will take — according to some reports up to 10 days — and what arrangements will apply to residents of towns in the West Bank.

A spokesman for the civil administration, Mike Oren insisted yesterday that "there is no change in the policy of the administration. Changes enacted are of a limited

administrative nature necessitated, by the increase in traffic over the bridges during the summer months which is expected this year to reach 250,000 people."

"The administrative changes have absolutely no connection with the village leagues or mukhtars or any other entity in the area apart from the civil administration," he added.

He could not say whether the new arrangements would be continued after the summer months.

Several West Bankers said last night that in the past all that was required was a computerized check by officials at the bridge. In general, leaving the West Bank was relatively easy compared with the stringent searches involved when crossing from Jordan.

West Bank businessmen have also complained that recent restrictions have drastically reduced exports from the West Bank to Jordan and the Arab world.

They cite, for example, the denial of export permits to marble quarries in the Kabatyia area near Jenin after unrest during which crowds attacked the local village leagues. According to some sources, 300 men at the quarries may be laid off.

Financial crisis cripples northern local councils

By YOEL DAR
Jerusalem Post Reporter

UPPER NAZARETH. — Most of the Jewish municipalities and local councils in Galilee are unable to function because of financial difficulties. This was stated yesterday by Upper Nazareth Mayor Menahem Ariav, who serves as chairman of the Galilee Union of Local Councils.

Most councils could not pay their employees this month and a number are being sued by contractors who have not been paid for carrying out development work.

Ariav claimed that the Treasury and the Interior Ministry have

refused to adjust grants to the level of inflation, or to cover the councils' accumulated deficits. Ariav himself hopes the government can still be persuaded to come up with the cash.

This stand is supported by the mayors of Nahariya and Acre; but several local mayors and council chairmen want to close down all public services at once.

In the Arab sector there are similar problems, this despite the fact that their budgets have been increased — in some cases doubled — after they went on strike earlier this year to protest their plight.

Tehiya rebuffs NRP overtures

By SARAH HONIG
Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Spurning overtures, by the National Religious Party, former NRP members now in the ultra-nationalistic Tehiya Party yesterday rejected a call for them "to return home."

The appeal to the Tehiya, and especially to those in it whose political roots were in the NRP, was sounded at last week's NRP central committee session, with Interior Minister Yosef Burg maintaining that now that the Yamit controversy was a thing of the past "there is no ideological difference whatever between us. The NRP's commitment to Judea and Samaria is no less fervent than that of the Tehiya," Burg maintained.

But Tehiya MK Hana Porat, who is the Tehiya's one religious

Knesset member, announced yesterday that he has no intention of mending his fences with the NRP in any way. He referred to the NRP "as a broken home, and certainly no home I would want to go back to."

Porat added that if the NRP is interested in a dialogue with Tehiya, "this dialogue must be based on soul-searching about what happened on the eve of the evacuation."

Porat, unlike the Tehiya's other two MKs, did not vote against the government in the last vote of no confidence. He abstained, due to heavy pressure from Gush Emunim, which feared for the future of the settlements, if the government should fall. Porat's vote immediately set off expectations in the NRP that this would be a starting point for a rapprochement.

Teachers' Union opposes strike now

HAIFA. — The Teachers Union (Histadrut), which claims to represent 90 per cent of the country's teachers, is opposed to strikes before the end of the school year, Union general secretary Amnon Abramson said here yesterday.

A rival group, the Teachers' Organization (Irgun) wants an immediate declaration of a labour dispute.

Abramson said that at a session of

the two unions' joint staff today, his union would agree to job action only if some serious unforeseen development crops up, such as the non-payment of the teachers' wages.

Abramson said the union had reached agreement with the Education Ministry on the application of two of the three major recommendations, having to do with rooms and equipment in 200 schools, and study funds for teachers.



Dr. Shmuel Penbas, director-general of the Hadassah Medical Organization, explains the workings of the hospital's computer centre to the visiting Egyptian delegation. (Zoom 77)

Hadassah scholarships for two Egyptians

By ISRAEL AMRANI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Hadassah will grant two full scholarships for studies at its School of Public Health to two Egyptian students. Hadassah Medical Organization Director-General Shmuel Penbas announced yesterday, following a visit by the Egyptian medical delegations to the two Hadassah hospitals in Jerusalem.

The four-man Egyptian delegation, in Israel as guests of the Health Ministry, toured the nuclear medicine, neo-natal intensive care, radiation and surgery units, and the rehabilitation centre.

The four showed particular interest in the tropical diseases research centre, which is run jointly by Hadassah and the Hebrew University. Hadassah spokesman Margalit Toledano said that joint research of tropical diseases, which are prevalent in both countries, may be a basis for initial cooperation.

The Egyptian delegation is headed by Dr. Aziz Huli, chairman of the Egyptian Health Council. They met Health Minister Eliezer Shostak on Monday, and are to visit today the Rambam and Carmel hospitals in Haifa, and the Elscint company, which manufactures health care equipment.

Factory owner critically hurt by booby-trapped office chair

By JEFFREY HELLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The factory worker stood trembling yesterday, a few metres from where medics were working frantically to stem the flow of blood from the unconscious man's shattered legs.

"We were eating and he was in his office talking on the phone, and all of a sudden — boom," the worker said about Ilan Zentner, 38, the owner of the Beit Matechet factory, who was lying prone on the ground in the plant's small courtyard.

Zentner was in critical condition in Ichilov Hospital with wounds to his lower body after a booby-trapped grenade went off under his desk at 5:30 a.m. in the metal works plant in the Motifori neighbourhood near Derech Patah Tikva.

Police said he had been involved in a dispute with his four business partners. A high-ranking police

source told *The Jerusalem Post* that last week a handgrenade had exploded outside the Herzliya home of one of the partners. He said police are questioning a number of suspects regarding yesterday's attack.

Zentner's office was a study in destruction. The grenade "probably went off when he moved the chair to sit down," a demolitions expert told a police officer inside the office.

Just outside the office, where the medics had worked on the victim, one of Zentner's shoes and his blood-stained trousers and shirt lay in a pile as police laboratory technicians searched for clues.

As the orange and white ambulance sped Zentner off to hospital, police cleared the area and the bomb disposal men, clad in protective flak jackets and helmets, began searching his car, parked at the entrance to the factory, for any additional booby traps. There were none.

Country's prisons to get schools

By ISRAEL AMRANI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Prisons Service has begun a literacy survey in preparation for the opening of schools in 10 of Israel's 18 prisons, spokesman Shimon Malka announced yesterday.

Malka said that the illiteracy rate among Israeli prisoners is about 40 per cent, compared to almost zero in the U.S., and about six per cent in West Germany.

The prison schools will be run by Gila Carlini, head of education in the service, and the Education

Ministry's Adult Education Unit will provide teachers. Prisoners will study four hours a day, six days a week.

In another development, Prisons Commissioner Mordechai Wertheimer is to announce today a major shuffle in the Prisons Service, involving about a dozen senior officers to introduce more officers with backgrounds in social work and criminology.

Malka said there was no connection between the new appointments and recent allegations, that Wertheimer showed favouritism towards religious prisoners.

Bank's emigration figures criticised

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN
and JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporters

The Bank of Israel's figures on emigration and immigration, published in the bank's annual report on Monday, came under fire from opposite directions yesterday.

Deputy Minister Dov Shilansky called the figure "exaggerated," and said their publication created a bad atmosphere in the country. On the other hand, the Alignment's Uri Baram, chairman of the Knesset Aliya and Absorption Committee, asserted that the situation was far worse than that indicated in the report and said that the figures could "help the government make the situation appear less serious than it is."

Shilansky based his criticism on what he said was an incorrect definition of the term *yored* (emigrant). He said it was unfair to label an Israeli going abroad to

study for a year or two as a *yored*. He preferred the definition of the Central Bureau of Statistics, which said that a *yored* was someone staying away four years or more.

However it was precisely the figures of the Central Bureau of Statistics, which Baram cited in support of his contention that there had been a negative balance of migration in 1980, as well as 1981.

Baram said he did not know how the central bank had arrived at a figure of 15,000 immigrants in 1981, 25 per cent higher than the official statistics showed. Furthermore, said Baram, all indications were that 1982 would be the third year in succession with a negative migration balance.

Shilansky said he was not minimising the problem, but he reiterated his contention that large numbers of former Israelis living in the U.S. wanted to return to this country.

Pilot killed in '73 buried in Jerusalem

Nine years after he was shot down and killed over the Nile Delta during the Yom Kippur War, the body of Rav-Seren Yonatan Ophir yesterday was buried in the military cemetery at Jerusalem's Mount Herzl.

Six air force majors carried Ophir's coffin to the grave, where IDF Chief Chaplain Aluf Gad Navon read a passage of Psalms and

gave the eulogy. Ophir's father, Moshe, recited Kaddish in a voice choked with tears.

The funeral, made possible after Ophir's body was returned from Egypt last week, was attended by Israel Air Force Commander Aluf David Ivi, numerous senior IAF officers and hundreds of friends and relatives. Ophir was 26 when he was killed, leaving a wife, daughter and his parents. (Itim)

Patt trip to Egypt seen as trade breakthrough

Pool Correspondent

CAIRO. — Minister of Industry and Trade Gideon Patt's current visit to Egypt has achieved a breakthrough in the implementation of economic agreements between Egypt and Israel, Ambassador to Cairo Moshe Sasson said yesterday.

In addition to conferring with his Egyptian counterpart, Fouad Abu Zaghala, Patt had an unscheduled meeting with Mohammed Talabi, the governor of Egypt's central bank. Diplomatic sources here see this as proof of Egypt's readiness to expand economic relations with Israel.

The most concrete result of the visit so far is the immediate expansion of opportunities for trade with the Egyptian public sector, which absorbs 80 per cent of all imports. Abu Zaghala has issued a directive permitting the public sector to trade with Israel without any restrictions.

Na'amat starts drive to raise IS25 million

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Na'amat, the Histadrut's women's movement, yesterday launched a fund-raising campaign to help meet its IS25 million deficit for running day care centres and educating older youth.

The campaign is the first in seven years. It was opened at a reception at Beit Hanassi, in the presence of Ofra Navon, wife of the president. Na'amat operates 312 day care centres for 20,000 children around the country.

Mayors protest use of Hadera coal quay

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HADERA. — A delegation of mayors from the Sharon region will today demand that the Hadera power station's quay stop being used as a national coal port.

The delegation, headed by Hadera Mayor Yehiel Kahana, is to meet with Interior Ministry Director-General Haim Kubersky on the matter.

The mayors say the Hadera facility originally was meant to serve only the local power station; but it is now being used to unload coal for transportation around the country, notably to the Nesher cement plants in Haifa and Ramle. The trucks transporting the fuel leave a trail of harmful coal dust throughout the Sharon plain, they say.

Hammer 'understands' maric criticisms

Post Knesset Correspondent

Education Minister Zevulun Hammer wrote Labour MK Shevach Weiss this week to say he could "understand" why Weiss, in a letter to him, should have compared the way the ministry processed bagrut (matriculation) results to the way a backward country or a primitive tribe ran its affairs.

However, Hammer said, his officials had assured him the bagrut results problem would be solved "in an appropriate manner in the quickest possible time."

State expected to appeal Abuhatzzeira's sentence

By JEFFREY HELLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The prosecution is expected to appeal by Friday the suspended sentence that Tel Aviv District Judge Victoria Ostrovsky-Cohen imposed on Aharon Abuhatzzeira.

Justice Ministry sources said yesterday the decision was not connected to the appeal lodged with the Supreme Court by the former minister of labour, social affairs and absorption recently.

MK Abuhatzzeira, leader of the Tami Party, was convicted last April of larceny, fraud, and breach of trust. He was sentenced to a total of four years and three months in jail, and a IS3,500 fine.

But Ostrovsky-Cohen suspended the sentence on the grounds "Justice would not be done if, after years of lack of control over what

was being done within the frameworks of charity funds, I go hard on the accused in the first case of this kind brought to trial."

The judge was referring to the Interior Ministry funds channelled through the Ramle Municipality to the Rabbi Yitzhak Abuhatzzeira Charity Fund the ex-minister directed during his 1974-1977 term as mayor of that city.

At the plea hearing during Abuhatzzeira's trial, Tel Aviv District Attorney Sarah Sirota asked Ostrovsky-Cohen to put the defendant in jail because crimes committed by an elected official should be regarded as especially grave.

This contention is expected to be the basis of the prosecution's appeal, which has to be in by Friday, the last of the 45 days in which an appeal can be lodged after a trial.

Ben-Shahar to stay on at TAU

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Tel Aviv University President Haim Ben-Shahar has resigned his resignation and will continue to serve for the remaining year of his term, he told the university's board of governors yesterday.

Ben-Shahar said last year that he would resign as of this week's meeting of the board of governors. A search committee was set up but because of disagreements between the governors and the faculty, no

acceptable candidate could be found.

"I saw that the university might enter a difficult period as a result of these problems," Ben-Shahar said yesterday. "I considered myself ministerially responsible."

He added that he had become convinced that this was not the time for electing a new president, and that the tension surrounding the elections could cause damage to the university.

Kollek raises \$10m. for J'lem projects

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek has obtained a \$5 million contribution for a cultural and sports centre in the Neve Ya'acov quarter, and an additional \$5 million donation to help build a new wing of the Jerusalem Theatre, a spokesman for the Jerusalem Foundation said yesterday.

Kollek, now on an 11-day visit to the U.S., received a pledge for the Neve Ya'acov centre from unnamed American donors. The centre will

include a picnic and recreation facility, tennis courts, and basketball and volleyball courts. The \$5 million contribution to the Jerusalem Theatre is also anonymous. It will pay for most of a \$7.8 million new wing of the theatre, which will be a permanent home for the Jerusalem Symphony-Israel Broadcasting Authority Orchestra. A 500-seat auditorium and smaller rooms will be included in the wing to provide facilities for the community theatre groups operating in the city.

Residents act to thwart football field

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Ramat Gan residents yesterday blocked with cars a small parking lot near their homes, to prevent the construction of a football field by the Tel Aviv municipality in the Tel Aviv enclave in Ramat Gan.

The contractor building the field had destroyed one side of the parking lot at the end of a quiet dead-end street. This was done to create access to the field, whose construction is opposed by the residents of the three Ramat Gan neighbourhoods bordering on the Tel Aviv area that protrudes into the adjacent city.

The contractor called the police, who told some eight women standing there with their children to "disperse the demonstration" and go up to their apartments.

Tel Aviv Deputy Mayor Yitzhak

Caspi admitted yesterday that the plans for the football field had been approved only by the municipal executive, and not by the local town planning committee, contrary to the city's legal adviser's statement earlier this week. As a result, the construction of the field, which began several days ago, is illegal, it was learned.

Ramat Gan's residents say the football field — intended for Betar Tel Aviv — would destroy the quality of life in the quiet neighbourhood.

CIVIL DEFENCE. — There will be a civil defence (Haga) exercise today in the Zichron Ya'acov area, which will include simulated firing and the sounding of all-clear sirens. In case of a genuine alert, a rising and falling siren will be sounded.

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Saudis offer Iran \$25b. to end war

BEIRUT (AP). — Saudi Arabian state radio said in a commentary yesterday that the Saudis and their Persian Gulf allies are making a "sincere and generous" offer to Iran to end its war against Iraq.

The commentary, which usually reflects official Saudi opinion, gave no details, though it followed reports from diplomatic sources in the kingdom that the Saudis and other oil-rich gulf nations are ready to pay Iran \$25 billion in reparations for damage caused by the 20-month-old war.

"We believe the time has come for Moslem Iran to respond to this sincere and generous bid and affirm its good intentions toward its sisters and neighbours," said the radio commentator, speaking in Arabic.

The Saudis and other Arab nations on the Persian Gulf's southern rim loaned Iraq \$30 billion for the war. They are now nervous that recent Iranian battlefield gains will spread the influence of Iran's fundamentalist Islamic revolution to their conservative regimes.

There was no immediate Iranian response. Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini was quoted earlier in the day as warning the Gulf war might pose "possible security dangers" for delegates attending the conference of non-aligned nations set for September in the Iraqi capital, Baghdad.

The patriarch of the Iranian Islamic revolution was quoted by the government-run news agency, IRNA, as saying Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, whom he referred to as a "dead man," might "kill some of the (conference's) participants and subsequently blame Iran to discredit it."

The 94-member non-aligned group, made up almost entirely of Third World nations, opens a meeting of member countries' foreign ministers in Havana today and Khomeini's remarks appeared aimed at the gathering.

Saddam Hussein is scheduled to take over chairmanship of the non-aligned movement, a post he will hold for the next three years.

Non-aligned members have already voted in a meeting in New Delhi, to set aside the issue of the war and hold the conference in the Iraqi capital despite an Iranian campaign to change the venue.

In Cairo, meanwhile, Presidents Hosni Mubarak of Egypt and Jafar Numeiri of Sudan said yesterday that they were trying to work with the U.S., Europe and Arab countries to stop the Gulf war.

"We call for the cessation of the Iran-Iraq war immediately," Mubarak told reporters, after meeting with Numeiri for two and a half hours. "Wars never solve con-

flicts... wars lead only to destruction."

Mubarak said negotiations should be held to end the war and suggested "friendly nations" should join the talks. There have already been contacts between Egypt, the U.S., European countries and others to seek an end to the war, he said.

"All countries will be affected by the outcome of the war," Mubarak said.

Numeiri said Sudan was trying to organize an Arab summit conference, including Egypt, "about what is going on in the Arab world."

He said there was agreement from several Arab leaders to hold the conference, but that a date had not been set. "It needs to be soon to stop the war," he said.

In communiques from the fronts, Iraq said its jets had knocked out Iran's main oil-shipping terminal in the Persian Gulf, though Iran said the attackers were driven off without scoring hits on the facility at Kharg Island, located 42 kilometres off the southwest coast of Iran and 161 km. southwest of the northern tip of the Persian Gulf.

The combatants also accused each other of firing artillery shells into civilian areas on respective sides of their southern pre-war border, marked by the Shatt al-Arab waterway.

Bombings precede Reagan's German visit

BONN (AP). — West German terrorists bombed four U.S. military bases as part of what they termed an "unforgettable reception" for U.S. President Ronald Reagan, who is due to visit next week, officials said yesterday.

In another wave of violence, which police said might be connected to the military attacks, bombs ripped through the offices of IBM and another unidentified American computer firm in Dusseldorf early yesterday, police said.

No one was injured in any of the blasts.

But damage from the apparently coordinated attacks on military bases in Frankfurt, Gelnhausen, Hanau and Bamberg was estimated at more than \$130,000, U.S. officials said.

Dusseldorf police said the bomb attack at IBM, which occurred 75 minutes after the last of the military hits, ripped open concrete walls at the office entrance and caused about \$50,000 damage.

The next blast occurred "a short while later," a spokesman said. He had no details of damage but said it was not as heavy as at IBM.

There were no immediate clues linking the two waves of attacks, but the timing suggested a connection, the Dusseldorf spokesman said.

The Revolutionary Cells, an offshoot of the Red Army terrorist group founded by Andreas Baader and Ulrike Meinhof, claimed responsibility for the attacks on the military bases.

In a letter, the group warned the bombings were just "a prelude" to the reception planned for Reagan when he visits Bonn and West Berlin June 9 to 11.

Chad capital tense as decisive battle looms

PARIS (AP). — Hundreds of civilians were pouring out of N'Djamena yesterday to escape possible new street battles for control of Chad's beleaguered capital, according to reports reaching here.

The French news agency reported the rebel forces of former prime minister Hissene Habre closing in on N'Djamena from the north and east, while large numbers of Habre sympathizers were infiltrating the city and openly receiving food and shelter from the war-weary inhabitants.

Habre's forces have advanced relentlessly against the Libyan-backed government of President Goukouni Oueddei since Libyan troops withdrew from Chad late last year. The expected battle for control of N'Djamena would be the third since 1979 in Chad's 18-year-old civil war.

Iraqi student jailed for attacking embassy

BELGRADE (Reuters). — An Iraqi student has been sentenced to eight years' imprisonment for bomb attacks on the Iraqi embassy in Belgrade and the attempted assassination of the ambassador, court officials said yesterday.

The Belgrade district court found Ali Mahdi, a student at Belgrade University, guilty of planting two bombs under Iraqi embassy cars last April and June. The first, under the ambassador's car, did not explode, but the second wrecked a military mission car. There were no casualties.

19 die in U.S. tornadoes and storms

NEW YORK (AP). — The last weekend of May was one to forget for storm-battered U.S. communities in the Midwest as tornadoes and thunderstorms killed at least 19 people and routed thousands from their homes.

Some cities in Texas and Oklahoma chalked up their worst May on record, while residents of Marion, Illinois, buried some of their dead yesterday after a tornado killed 10 people on Saturday, injured at least 100 and left 1,000 homeless.

Thunderstorms packing hail and rain spread from northern Texas to as far north as Ohio on Monday and as far south as Florida, leaving water 60 centimetres deep in some communities.

To the west, cities in Wyoming, Montana and South Dakota shivered in record low temperatures. Snow fell in the Colorado mountains while residents of some Montana communities dug out from 38 centimetres of snow.



An anti-Pope demonstrator is led away by police in Edinburgh after Pope John Paul visited the Assembly Hall. (UPI telephoto)

Pope goes ahead with trip to Glasgow despite protests

GLASGOW (Reuters). — Screened by the tightest security seen on his British tour, Pope John Paul yesterday visited this city with a long history of bitterness between Catholics and Protestants.

Hardline Protestants, opposed to the first papal visit ever made to Britain, had warned of trouble when the pontiff arrived in Scotland's biggest city.

Police were apprehensive after a fire early yesterday at a railway station near the park where the pope was to preach later to 250,000 people. Anti-papal slogans were daubed on the station walls.

On Monday night two busloads of Catholic teenagers, returning from a youth festival for the pope in Edinburgh, were stoned in a Protestant section of Glasgow.

When the pope arrived in this bastion of Scottish Catholicism to address students at a Catholic education college, the surrounding roads were closed and police nearly

outnumbered onlookers.

Organizers in Edinburgh were embarrassed on Monday when more than 100 noisy Protestant demonstrators threw coins, eggs and rolled-up paper at the pope's car.

Fourteen protesters, all supporters of Northern Ireland's hardline Protestant preacher-politician, Ian Paisley, were remanded in custody when they appeared in court yesterday.

A historic meeting with the Presbyterian moderator, the Rt. Rev. John McIntyre, was held on the steps of the general assembly hall beneath a statue of John Knox, the 16th century Scottish reformation leader.

McIntyre, clad in distinctive lace ruffles, knee-breeches and buckled shoes, said: "I offer you the sincere welcome to this land of ours. You come to us as a man of peace and we join your prayers for a long and lasting peace."

Chinese arrest U.S. teacher for 'stealing state secrets'

PEKING (Reuters). — The U.S. was protested to China about the seizure of an American teacher who has been detained in connection with the alleged theft of state secrets, a U.S. embassy spokesman said yesterday.

Friends identified the detained woman as Lisa Wicher, a graduate student in economics from Denver University, Colorado, who has been teaching English in Peking since late summer 1980.

They said Wicher, who had recently applied to marry a Chinese citizen, was handcuffed after a struggle with Chinese police and arrested early last Friday.

Embassy spokesman Mark Crocker said: "We have protested specific Chinese handling of some aspects of this case with regard to the Consular Convention." The convention was signed by China and the U.S. earlier this year.

Informed sources said the embassy was not notified that Wicher had been detained until Saturday, and a consular official did not see her until Monday.

Crocker said Wicher had not been formally arrested or charged. A Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman said Wicher had "violated Chinese laws by engaging in activities that are incompatible with her status."

Meanwhile, U.S. Senate majority leader Howard Baker had high-level talks in Peking yesterday within hours of a warning by Chinese Premier Zhao Ziyang that relations between Peking and Washington remain in crisis.

Baker told reporters that, during a 65-minute meeting, Vice-chairman Deng Xiaoping had expressed concern to him about the future of Sino-American ties if the U.S. continued to sell arms to Taiwan.

Salvador army hits guerrillas

LA SIERPE, El Salvador (AP). — Government troops yesterday entered the fourth day of a major push to oust leftist guerrillas from their strongholds in northern Chalatenango province, along the country's border with Honduras.

Official spokesmen refused to give details of the operation, but local sources and residents estimated that more than 1,200 fresh U.S.-trained and equipped soldiers were involved.

Residents of this village said an artillery unit, stationed with 105mm cannons on the local soccer field, had been pounding guerrilla positions in hills to the northeast since Saturday.

Radio Farabundo Marti, one of the guerrillas' clandestine stations, has claimed that Honduran troops are participating in the operation, but there have been no independent reports supporting the claim.

Roads leading into the operation area from the provincial capital were blocked by government troops on Monday. In a nearby town

soldiers with megaphones ordered residents to come forward and show their identity cards, a measure usually indicative of a search for guerrillas.

The government's sweep through the northern outskirts of Chalatenango appears aimed at tracking down rebels driven into the area after a major counter-insurgency drive last month in neighbouring Morazan province.

In 10 days of fighting that ended May 3, the army claimed to have killed 122 guerrillas and dismantled 13 mountain hideouts.

Marxist-led guerrillas have been fighting since October 1979 to topple El Salvador's U.S.-backed government. Since then, political violence has claimed an estimated 34,000 lives.

Rose Kennedy is 'resting comfortably'

WEST PALM BEACH, Florida (AP). — Rose Kennedy, 91-year-old matriarch of one of America's most famous political families, was "resting comfortably" yesterday at St. Mary's Hospital, officials said.

Mrs. Kennedy was brought to the hospital on Sunday night from her seaside Palm Beach estate. "Apparently, she just wasn't feeling well," a hospital spokesman said, adding it was not known when she might be discharged.

Athens bans vehicles to free polluted air

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Sports

Garrison conquered

PARIS (Reuters). — Martina Navratilova put an end to Texan newcomer Zina Garrison's giant-killing run when she beat her 6-3, 6-2 in a 55-minute quarter-final match in the French Open Tennis Tournament yesterday.

After their game, the Czechoslovak-born American, rated second in the world by the Women's Tennis Association and seeded second for the championships, paid tribute to Garrison who is playing her first tournament as a professional. Till recently she was playing on public courts in Texas.

"She has no weaknesses, although maybe she could improve on her serve. She doesn't hit stupid balls and moves well around the court. She's a gutsy player," Navratilova said.

After the match, 18-year-old Garrison, who collected the scalps of seeded players Bettina Bunge of West Germany and former champion Mima Jausovec of Yugoslavia on her way to the quarter-finals, admitted she was nervous.

"Playing one of the greats in women's tennis, everyone is going to be nervous," she said.

Defending champion Hana Mandlikova of Czechoslovakia defeated third-seeded American Tracy Austin 7-6, 6-7, 6-2 in a match marked by erratic play and unforced errors on both sides.

Austin, making her first appearance after four-and-a-half months off with back problems, said afterwards she felt her concentration had suffered because of the lay-off.

"I made a lot more errors than I normally do. I still don't feel as strong as I did before I stopped in January," she said.

Among the men, Jose-Luis Clerc of Argentina became the first man to qualify for the semi-finals, when he posted a workman-like 6-2, 6-2, 6-2 victory over Australian Peter McNamara.

"There was nothing I could do" the 27-year-old Australian said after his loss. "Clerc was playing too well. He hasn't been playing well until today. It's a good time to start playing well."

Royal blow

LONDON (AP). — Prince Charles, an accomplished polo player, suffered minor injuries when struck in the mouth by a polo stick during a match at Windsor, Buckingham Palace said on Tuesday.

British press reports said the 33-year-old heir to the throne had his lip split and may have had a tooth knocked loose in the accident on Monday.

A palace spokesman described the injury as "only minor abrasions" that did not require medical treatment.

The incident occurred during a match between the Maple Leafs, owned by Canadian millionaire Galen Weston, and the local Eaglesfield team before a crowd of 1,500 people. Prince Charles, who was playing for the Maple Leafs, and opposition player Alex Bamberg went for the ball at the same time and in the scramble the Prince was struck in the mouth, witnesses said. He carried on playing, but later left the field to swill blood from his mouth with water.

"It was a terrible accident, nothing more," said Bamberg. "I apologized to him and he replied, 'It's no problem.'"

The Prince's side lost the match 6½ to 5.

COUNTY CRICKET

LONDON (AP). — Spinner Phil Edmunds completed a career-best haul of eight wickets for 80 on Tuesday to steer Middlesex to a 68-run triumph over Sussex in their English County Championship cricket match at Lord's, London.

Edmunds, who finished the match with figures of 12 for 120, helped to dismiss Sussex for 168 in their second innings and only Iqbal Khan (40) and South African Garth Le Roux (35) put up any fight.

Another veteran England star, Essex pace bowler John Lever, also was in sparkling form. Lever claimed five wickets for 61 as Essex overhauled Surrey by 209 runs at Chelmsford.

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New York 10, Atlanta 4
San Diego 9, Chicago 7
Los Angeles 5, Pittsburgh 4
Philadelphia 5, Cincinnati 4, 15 in.
Montreal 10, Houston 7
St. Louis 11, San Francisco 6

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Detroit 4, California 3
Boston 5, Oakland 2
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A record number of 100 businessmen will have their executive skills put to the test in the third Dun and Bradstreet Tennis Tournament, being held this week at the De-accadia courts. The finals take place next Sunday and Monday.

ATHLETIC MEET

Men athletes from Northern Ireland, Luxembourg and Israel are participating in a three-nation meet beginning this evening at 7 p.m. at the Hader Haywood Stadium in North Tel Aviv. The competition will conclude tomorrow evening.

Argentina resigned to Falklands defeat

BUENOS AIRES (AP). — Argentina's military rulers are preparing their people for defeat in the Falkland Islands. But they insist that any setback will be temporary, that Argentina has done itself proud in the fight with Britain and that it will eventually own the archipelago.

President Leopoldo Galtieri set the new line in an Army Day speech on Saturday after British paratroopers had overrun key Argentine positions.

"May God grant that, beyond the fortunes of the unequal battle against the extra-continental aggressor and those who support her, that the torch we have lighted to illuminate the awakening of our America not be extinguished," he said.

One of the president's top advisers, who asked that his name not be used, spelled out the government position to the Associated Press.

"We have already won," he said. "We could not have been expected to defeat militarily the third and first most powerful nations in the world."

"When we lose, you will hear Galtieri, who is now a Latin American hero, say, 'Our islands have been occupied by means of vastly superior military force. I negotiate nothing nor do I cede any of our legitimate demands. I believe

in the retaliatory power of my people, and we will again recover the islands.'"

Argentines, who for weeks have been served a heavy dose of encouraging news — "Victory" headlines and "We're winning" magazine covers — are beginning to read worst-case scenarios.

The Buenos Aires newspaper *Clarion* said on Monday: "The adult Argentina should get ready to assimilate, with virtue sadness but not with desperation and much less with shame, the possibility that Great Britain, with the aid of the U.S., temporarily re-establishes by force a colonial usurpation."

In the Falkland Islands themselves, British troops are angry that their dead comrades have been buried in the South Atlantic battleground rather than flown home for funerals with full military honours, British correspondents reported on Monday.

In Britain, some relatives of the 138 British servicemen and merchant seamen the Defence Ministry reported killed in the two-month-old conflict also demanded the bodies be brought home. They were backed by some legislators.

The squabble flared after the ministry announced that 17 men killed in Friday's battle for Goose Green airfield were buried on Sun-

day in a mass grave on a hillside overlooking the British beachhead at San Carlos Bay on East Falkland.

Among the dead was the paratroopers' commander, Lt. Col. Herbert Jones, killed leading a charge against machinegun nests.

Criticism in London was also directed against the involvement in the war of Prince Andrew, 22, the second-oldest son of Queen Elizabeth II and a helicopter pilot attached to the aircraft carrier HMS *Invincible*.

A left-wing opposition Labour Party legislator urged on Monday that Andrew be withdrawn because his participation increases hostility in Argentina and other Latin American countries.

"Andrew's presence is exceedingly unfortunate since it gives credence to the notion of European princelings coming to subdue emerging nations," legislator Tam Dalyell said in a letter to Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

Referring to Argentina's 19th-century fight against Spanish rule, Dalyell added: "Since emancipation from European princes is the very stuff that most South Americans get in their history books, all thoughts of hostile emotions about the task force are confirmed in the Latin American mind."

Iran hangs 15 anti-gov't rebels

LONDON (Reuters). — Fifteen *mujahedin* guerrillas have been hanged in the eastern Iranian city of Mashhad, a spokesman for the local revolutionary court said yesterday.

The spokesman told Reuters by telephone from Mashhad that the guerrillas were executed three nights ago.

He said the guerrillas, three of them women, had been found guilty of political assassination, armed rebellion and creating unrest in Iran.

Relatives of people killed by the *mujahedin* organization had been invited by the religious judge to watch the hangings, the spokesman said. Hanging is only rarely used by Iran's Islamic courts. The majority of an estimated 2,500 guerrillas executed in the past year have been shot by firing squad.

The Tehran evening newspaper *Keyhan* reported yesterday that three members of the *mujahedin* were executed by firing squad in the Caspian provincial capital of Sari.

U.S. official meets SWAPO leader

BONN (Reuters). — U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs Chester Crocker made a surprise visit here yesterday to meet Sam Nujoma, leader of the South

West Africa People's Organization (SWAPO). West German diplomatic sources said.

SWAPO is fighting for the independence of Namibia (South West Africa), which is administered by South Africa in defiance of UN resolutions.

The U.S. is one of five western "contact group" states charged by the UN with leading Namibia to independence through free elections. The other western countries are West Germany, France, Britain and Canada.

The meeting between the SWAPO leader and Crocker was the first for the two men.

Sources said differences remained on the electoral system for the vote which is to lead Namibia to majority rule. The sources said the western countries were determined to begin the transition to majority rule by the end of this year.

They believed settlement of the Namibia problem would end tension on the territory's border with Angola and help bring about the withdrawal of Cuban troops from Angola.

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The man who knew too much

By ERNIE MEYER/Jerusalem Post Reporter

AT THE END of World War II, when many generals and political leaders of the victorious Allies visited the recently liberated concentration camps in Germany, they all pretended shock and surprise. None of them admitted previous knowledge of the atrocities.

"But they all knew, because I had told them in 1942 and 1943," said Jan Karski, a former Polish underground fighter. "I warned the Allies of the impending extermination of the Jews and begged them to intervene."

Prof. Karski, 68, who teaches political science at Georgetown University in the U.S., is visiting Israel on a lecture tour as a guest of Yad Vashem.

Karski, a young Polish diplomat, became an officer in the underground after the German occupation. Because of his knowledge of languages, and his phenomenal memory, he was chosen to act as courier to the outside world. His

first trip was to Polish leaders in exile in France. On his second trip to Paris, in June 1940, he was captured by the Gestapo and was severely tortured, that he attempted to take his own life, rather than reveal secrets.

The Polish underground organized his rescue and he was brought home to recuperate. In the summer of 1942 he volunteered to go on another mission. Before his departure he was smuggled into the Belzec extermination camp in Poland, so that he would be able to give the outside world an eyewitness account of what the Nazis were doing to the Jews.

It took Jan Karski 21 days to reach London, a perilous journey through France, Spain and Gibraltar. He carried a key which contained 400 pages of microfilm documents, showing the German oppression of the Poles and the Jews. If caught, he was in-

structed to dispose of the incriminating key.

PROF. KARSKI was overcome by emotion, and had to be calmed by his wife Paula, as he recalled the events of that autumn and winter, 40 years ago. He contacted all the Allied political and military leaders who would receive him, in addition to the entire Jewish leadership.

"I used the same formula with all of them," he said. "I told them that the historic responsibility, for the suffering of my fellow-Poles and the destruction of the Jews was theirs."

A rare smile crossed his lips as he recalled the hostile attitude of H.G. Wells. The historian and writer asked him sarcastically: "Isn't it strange that sooner or later the Jews always arouse anti-Semitism among their host peoples?"

In his message to the Pope, Karski, a Catholic, said: "I know that the Holy Father can open or close the doors of heaven to his fol-



At left, Jan Karski. Above, Yad Vashem monument to the Warsaw Ghetto.

lowers. Let him induce his faithful to stop denouncing hidden Jews to the Germans for the sake of a bottle of vodka."

In 1943 Karski went to the U.S. "The reaction of President Roosevelt was vague, although he promised the punishment of German war criminals." The professor does feel, however, that

his efforts helped change the attitude of U.S. leaders and subsequently led to the creation of the War Refugee Board.

Today Professor Karski will lecture at 5 p.m. at Yad Vashem, telling of his experiences, and will, during his stay, lecture at various universities.

Resurgent ugliness

JEWISH SCENE/Geoffrey Wigoder

THE PATTERN was wearisomely familiar, especially in Poland. Hours after martial law was clamped down last December 13, the state radio broadcast a harangue alleging that the extremist faction in Solidarity had been seized by Jews and Freemasons.

Jewish groups, it was stated, had taken over 80 per cent of Polish industry; Jews dominate the Western world; only the Soviet Union stands between mankind and the joint threat of Jews and Freemasons.

The Poles had heard this four decades ago — only then, the world was to be saved from this threat by the Nazis.

To justify the suppression of Solidarity, the government blamed the Jews for Poland's economic woes. The official Communist organ criticized leading Solidarity advisers for "Zionist" sympathies and even former Communist Party boss Edward Gierk was accused of being in league with the "Zionist conspiracy."

Among those arrested was the noted Lodz heart specialist, Marek Edelman, who in 1943 had been deputy commander of the Warsaw

Ghetto uprising. Forty years later, the Poles succeeded where the Nazis had failed, and put him in jail. This massive outburst came when Poland's Jews numbered 5,000, or 0.003 per cent of the population. Mostly they are in their seventies and eighties with the community scarcely having recorded a birth since 1969.

THIS PHENOMENON is analysed by William Korey, director of international policy research for B'nai B'rith, in *Hadassah Magazine*. Post-war Polish history has been punctuated by anti-Semitic outbursts. The Kielce pogrom of 1946, in which 42 Jews were massacred, led to the flight of 100,000 Polish Jews. Holocaust survivors to the displaced persons' camps in Germany. After the 1956-57 Poznan uprising, the ruling clique introduced anti-Semitic policies, and another 60,000

Jews emigrated.

The "Polish spring" of 1968 was the signal for a brutal anti-Semitic campaign against the 30,000 Jews who remained. Over 5,000 lost their jobs, and Jewish communists were expelled from the party. Another 20,000 emigrated.

EARLY last year, a new wave of anti-Semitism swept the country. It began with isolated incidents: a Magen David scrawled on Solidarity posters; a crude poem on a Warsaw wall alleging that Lech Walesa was Jewish; a new publication attacking Zionism.

The campaign escalated by mid-March and was clearly enjoying encouragement from certain official quarters. A demonstration with 300 participants commemorated Polish patriots "tortured and executed by the Zionist clique" (referring to Jews who had been prominent in

the Stalinist regime of the 1950s). An anti-Jewish whispering campaign blamed the Jews for the country's economic ills. Anti-Semitic pamphlets appeared accusing Polish Jews of forming a secret mafia to take over public life.

Especially ominous was the emergence, with the encouragement of the Polish security service, at the Grunwald Patriotic Union, with a membership of 100,000, including many Communist Party officials. An analysis in the *London Times* refers to Grunwald's sinister side with its stress on "Jewish influence on Polish affairs."

While many organizations, from Solidarity to the Catholic Pax faction, are being suppressed, Grunwald is free — the only non-aligned platform in the country — and embarking on an ambitious publication programme. The *Times* traces its immunity, and even encouragement, to struggles inside the Communist Party.

Once martial law was proclaimed, Grunwald propaganda spread through Poland. Anti-Jewish signs appeared on buildings, such as the juxtaposition of the Solidarity

emblem with a dollar symbol and the Star of David. Radio Warsaw read a statement that Jews were buying up goods in Poland's markets to hasten the country's economic collapse.

But there is another side to the picture. The *Times* concludes that Polish nationalism is inclined to be anti-Russian rather than anti-Semitic, while the editor of *Hadassah Magazine*, Alan M. Tigay, concludes that despite the anti-Semitic broadcasts, leaflets and speeches, there is little evidence that this has caught the ear of the Polish masses. Everything suggests that the Poles know whom to blame for their plight — and it is not the Jews or the Zionists.

Indeed it may turn out that this campaign is one of those things that gives anti-Semitism a bad name and may even popularize "international Zionism."

The Polish Government is nothing but pragmatic. Two weeks after the military coup, it permitted the Joint Distribution Committee to operate in Poland for the first time since 1967.

Limits to pain

DOCTOR'S NOTEBOOK/David Samson

I WORK mainly with a hard-working, agriculturally-based population, and it's perhaps not surprising that people often come to me with pain in the shoulder region. In such cases, there is usually a clear history of some unusual physical effort, or trauma, to explain the matter.

Fortunately, the resulting soft-tissue injury invariably subsides after a few days resting of the part affected, perhaps in conjunction with the judicious use of painkillers. Nevertheless, no two cases are ever quite the same. As with all symptoms, careful examination must always precede diagnosis and treatment.

Middle-aged Rahamim Mandal was the last patient waiting for me at a recent kibbutz clinic. Tsilla, the efficient kibbutz nurse, had already informed me that he had been pestering her, almost incessantly, during the three days since my previous visit about a painful right shoulder. When I asked him about his problem, he strenuously denied any obvious precipitating factor to account for its occurrence.

"Oddly enough, it's not painful at rest, you know, only when I move my arm up or down," he admitted, in what was to prove a significant comment.

I felt around his shoulder area, to pin-point more accurately the trouble zone, and at the same time excluded any conspicuous bone or muscle damage. Then I told Rahamim that I was going to move his arm slowly upwards and outwards from his side until it was completely raised above his head.

"I want you to tell me," I said as I began the maneuver, "at exactly which point it starts to hurt, and when it stops hurting, if it does."

When his arm was about 45 degrees out from his side, he indicated to me that the pain had begun. About 160 degrees — i.e., with the arm not far short of full elevation — he told me that it had disappeared again. This information now enabled me to make a precise diagnosis.

"You have the 'painful arc' shoulder condition," I told him. "It gets its name because, as you have just demonstrated, the pain is only experienced during a specific part of the arc traced by the arm when it is raised from rest to 180 degrees above the head."

I went on to explain that in so raising the arm, the anatomy of the

shoulder region is such that the head of the arm bone, the humerus, must pass, at one stage in this movement, under the roof of the joint. This roof is formed by a bony extension of the scapula, the shoulder-blade bone.

The clearance for the bone and its associated tissues under this roof is rather tight, even in normal circumstances. If for some reason, the bulk of the head of the bone is increased, it scrapes the underside of the roof as it passes and this causes pain. The point at which the humerus passes under the roof corresponds to that part of the arm's elevation between about 45 and 160 degrees or so, hence the "painful arc."

One of the structures that also has to pass under the roof of the joint with the head of the bone is a tendon lying on top of it. If this tendon is damaged by an acute or chronic strain or local trauma, an area of inflammatory reaction commonly develops within it. This is often enough to reduce the available clearance as the arm is raised, and a painful arc is established.

Rarely, the underside of the joint roof itself is the site of inflammation, or the head of the humerus is swollen due to a chip fracture, and these are other possible causes of a painful arc.

I WAS perhaps carried away by the eloquence of my explanation when Rahamim brought me back to earth with a bump.

"This is all very interesting Dr. Samson," he said, "but what are you going to do to get rid of the pain for me?" He thus reminded me that many patients are not concerned so much about the cause of a particular ache or pain as about its speedy removal.

"Well," I said, cutting short my lecture, "since the absence of trauma here really suggests tendon damage or degeneration, I'm going to give you an injection exactly into the trouble spot. This should work locally to reduce the inflammation on the tendon and allow it to pass freely under the roof of the joint without pain as you move your arm."

Three days later Rahamim returned for a check-up. The smile on his face confirmed Tsilla's earlier report to me that his pestering had stopped.

"There were limits to my pain and suffering but you've taken care of them," he remarked jokingly.

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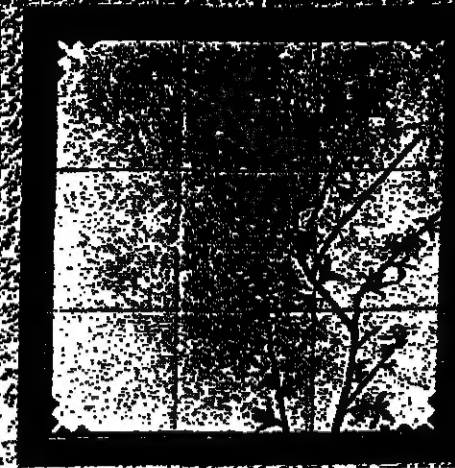
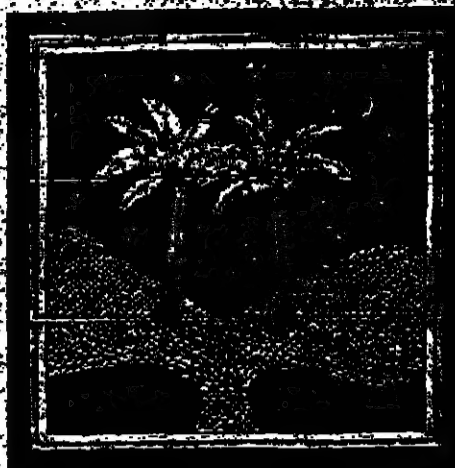
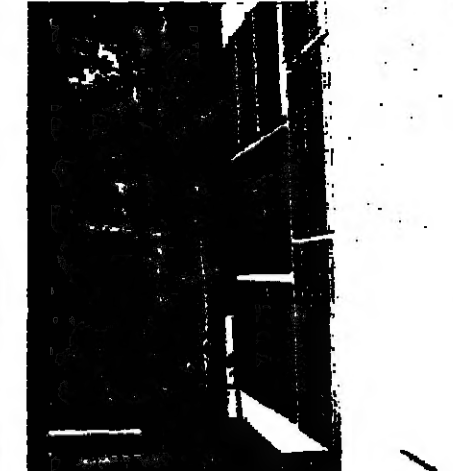
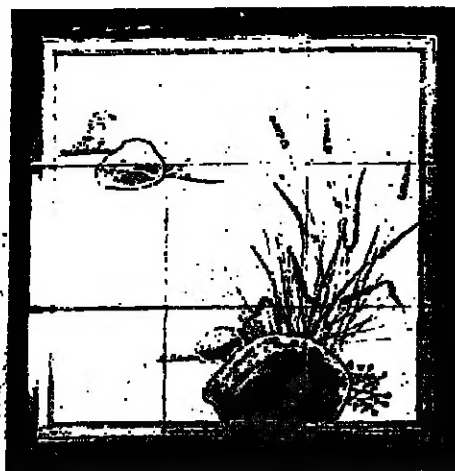
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Working in wood takes several different forms. Three craftsmen in wood are described by Today writers.



TO BE beautiful, a house, like a person, must have a soul.

This philosophy guided the work of Ron Havilio as an architect and builder. Now, together with his partner, Moshe Adut, he applies the same principle in selecting materials to sell at his newest venture, the Mediterranean House.

Located on the main street in Ein Kerem, the shop offers a variety of furniture, tiles, paintings, and other objects. But more than that, it appears to be a kind of idea workshop for those seeking to personalize their homes.

"Mediterranean House is a nice place to come and look," says Havilio simply. "I think of it as a gallery. After all, furniture made by a fine craftsman is a piece of art, whether it is in a home, a shop, a gallery, or a museum. The use of beautiful natural materials, the creative abilities of an artist or craftsman, and the active participation of the owner of the home — this is what gives a house its soul."

Involving the client as a collaborator is Havilio's major approach.

"Building a home is a lost tradition," he claims. "It should be a creative act for the client as well as the architect. It takes time; it can't be rushed. It shouldn't be a 'nightmare' for the owner."

"In previous decades, the entire process of design and building was done by a master builder," he explains. "The plans, the interior, the landscaping — all were important to create a unified whole. The builder had to consider many things at the site: the location of the sun, the direction of the wind, the type of soil and drainage for landscaping — even the atmosphere."

"After drawing up plans, the master builder actually supervised the construction of the

Wood works

The people at Mediterranean House want to give a home a soul, Betty Hilton learns.

house. Consequently, the building process was flexible. Things could be altered along the way. The client was able to make changes as he saw things come to life. The house developed organically.

"The problem with building today is that the entire plan is drawn up by an architect before the first stone is laid. The client has difficulty picturing exactly what all these drawings mean. The drawings are then turned over to a builder who quotes a price and orders materials. From that point on, nothing can be changed."

"The client is left to deal with a builder who in all probability is a worker, not a craftsman. The builder will push the easy, quick, and standard materials and methods to get the job done quickly. Result: a house without a soul."

Like his method of building, Havilio's training is not of the standard variety. He studied art history at the Hebrew University and is also a painter and photographer.

"I wanted to use my love and knowledge of art in a practical way," he states. "Why keep art in a gallery? People should live with it."

Nine years ago, he began on-the-job training in construction work in Ein Kerem. He applied what he learned in building his own



Hand-painted tiles (above left), painted cupboards (above right) and plain wood furniture (above), at the Ein Kerem gallery.

house there. The architecture of the Mediterranean countries became his major interest and he researched the design of homes and gardens in Morocco, Greece, Spain, and Italy.

"Mediterranean architecture is beautiful but simple," Havilio says. "I think it is very well suited to Jerusalem. I was born in Jerusalem (into a Spanish family which has been here since the 16th century), so I like to see its character preserved."

Moshe Adut, Havilio's partner, is also sensitive to the beauty of the area. Adut grew up in Ein Kerem and became an electrician and woodworker. It was he who restored the old building in which Mediterranean House is now located. After Havilio built a home for him, Adut conceived the idea of opening a centre which would utilize both their talents and also those of other craftsmen and artists.

Thus the Mediterranean House was born and now coordinates the efforts of some dozen carpenters, painters, furniture makers and tile-designers.

Furniture there varies in style and price. Rustic handmade dining sets featuring large tables and chairs are popular. Although each table is a little different, all are made of

beautiful but tough wood which requires no veneer, just oiling. According to Havilio, these tables improve with age. Prices range from IS\$600 to IS\$1,400. Chairs are sold separately.

The shop also offers antique furniture from Israel and Europe, including closets, chests, and tables. Some old furniture may be priced as low as IS\$2,000.

The painted furniture is inexpensive but colourful. A chest or chair is simply painted and then decorated with a variety of pictures or designs. The customer can choose an item in the shop or bring a piece from home to be decorated. Because this can be done on cheap furniture, prices can be as low as IS\$500 shekels. Havilio's wife, Jacqueline, is one of the artists working in this fashion — an old tradition in countries such as Portugal and Bavaria.

Wooden kitchen cupboards can also be handpainted and decorated. Havilio suggests this as a way to brighten and personalize standard cupboards.

Tile is the other major item for sale. Hand-painted tiles can be used to create a picture in a new kitchen or bathroom. Where the house or apartment is already finished, a border of tiles can often be added, creating a striking effect. A variety of floor tiles is also available.

"We're still getting started," Havilio comments. "Eventually, we hope to have many more things. But for now, if people don't see what they want, often we can make something to order or try to find a piece for a customer. The important thing is for the owner to develop some idea of what he feels will bring a room to life. We're glad to help in the process of creating or finding the right thing."

Carve his name with pride

Catriel Sugarman carves ceremonial objects from wood.

Betti Lipman visited him in his Jerusalem studio.

pointers (used in reading the Tora), *tsedaka* (charity) collection boxes, and *mezuzot*.

All were created entirely by hand — the result of three weeks' work on each item. Each is original and distinctive, but the most striking feature common to all is the warmth and richness of the exotic woods from which they are carved, enhanced by inlaid mother-of-pearl, ivory or silver.

Sugarman works with an incredible variety of woods, ranging from the standard but nonetheless handsome oak, beech, rosewood, mahogany, pine and polysander — easily available in Israel — to rich and rare types he has acquired from abroad and which he handles lovingly as he describes their origin: jacaranda, imboya and atimoya from Brazil, Indian ebony, or paduk from the Andaman Islands in the Indian Ocean.

Prominent in the display of ceremonial objects were some dozen spice boxes (the traditional receptacles used in the Havdala Ceremony), strog boxes, Purim groggers (noise-makers), yad

conventional European spice box style, with detachable top or hinged door opening to allow the assorted spices to be inhaled. All bear the inscription *borai minet besamin* ("He who creates diverse spices"), the phrase from the ritual Havdala service, and "Jerusalem" — either engraved, painted, or with each letter cut out and stuck on.

Some are ornately carved, others



are trimmed with silver or inlaid with mother-of-pearl. Several of the designs are based on those of quaint 18th-century, Old Yishuv-style Jerusalem houses, complete with porches and pillars, which Catriel has reproduced in meticulous detail, with arched window frames in solid silver. The doors are silver-handled, opening on silver hinges attached securely by pins driven through the wood.

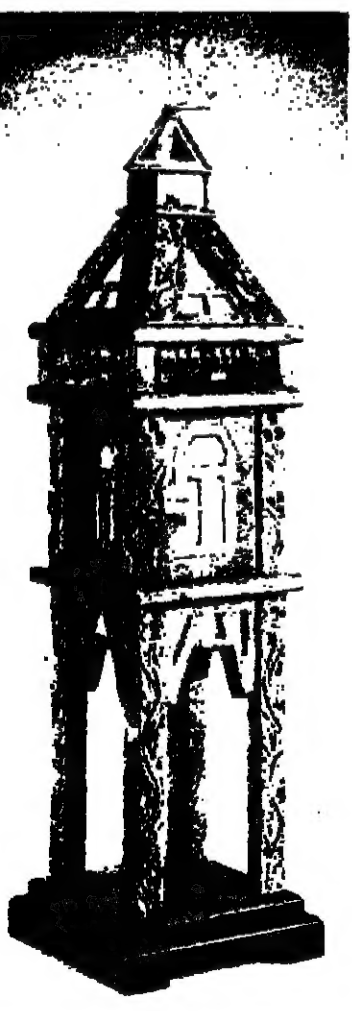
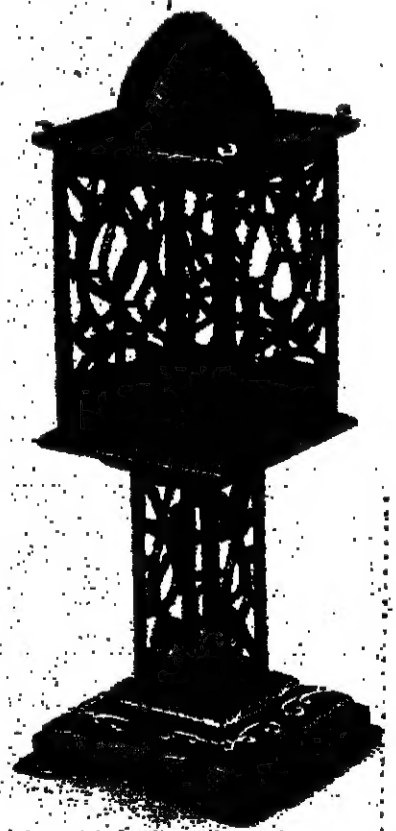
The domes and spires, minarets and turrets that crown these Havdala towers are all reminiscent of those that characterize the East Jerusalem skyline. The bell within the turret and the flag-topped spire that are regular features in East European models of Havdala towers are represented also in Sugarman's collection, but his is a version with a difference: a golden bell and golden flag atop a rich and shiny ebony tower.

This very modern, 20th-century artisan, obsessed with reviving an ancient craft, has achieved an incredible blend of past and future. "I draw my inspiration from the strangest sources," he points to an

elliptical-shaped model of an old Jerusalem house with domed roof. It is attached to a similar-shaped base by two spindly supports. "That was prompted by *Star Wars*. Remember R2D2?" Sure enough, the sedate little box suddenly looks like a robot teetering on stilted legs. But it is only an illusion, for Sugarman's workmanship is precise and sound, as he proves by displaying the hidden pins that fasten and hold together even the finest and daintiest pieces of solid wood.

For some years after his immigration from the U.S. in 1968, Sugarman worked as a furniture carpenter. The highlight of that period was the burgundy-stained beechwood ark, inlaid with ivory and silver, that he was commissioned to provide for the Beit Midrash of Jerusalem's Centre for Conservative Judaism. He felt encouraged to start out on what he felt was his real talent: the creation of hand-made ceremonial objects, which lend themselves better to wood than to gold and silver.

"Art has to have a certain warmth to it, that modern art lacks," he says. "Warmth, beauty and love." And warmth, beauty and love are qualities manifest in Sugarman's beautiful creations: warmth, as embodied in his choice of rich, rare wood; beauty, indisputable, in the finished product; and love — these objects are undoubtedly a labour of love.



THE LITTLE alley which connects Zahal Square with Jaffa Street on the fringe of the Old City is fast becoming a potential artists' quarter, a link between East Jerusalem's Hutzot Hayotzer and Nahlat Shiva in the western part of the city.

Newest on the scene is Catriel Sugarman's studio, located at 17 Yohanan Migush Halav Street — as the alley is called — where this young Jerusalem craftsman carves exquisite original Jewish ceremonial objects from unusual types of wood. His is a one-of-a-kind venture, he says, and he may well be right.

It is several decades since handcrafted ritual articles have been created locally in wood other than the familiar olive-wood, over-veneered and produced in bulk, with the tourist trade as its target. Today, samples of more sophisticated, individually designed wooden ceremonial objects can occasionally be found in private homes or collections, and bear the stamp "Made in Palestine," testifying to their creation in a bygone era. So it would seem that Sugarman has indeed revived a forgotten form of Jewish art.

At a recent exhibition marking the opening of the studio, Sugarman displayed over 20 pieces, including spice boxes (the traditional receptacles used in the Havdala Ceremony), strog boxes, Purim groggers (noise-makers), yad

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Second Programme

6.12 Gymnastics 6.22 Agricultural Broadcasts 6.40 Editorial Review 6.54 Green Light — drivers' corner 7.00 This Morning — news magazine 8.10 All Shades of the Network — morning magazine

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Today Interiors

TO Koby Finn, 24, there is something unnatural about a cubic environment.

The self-taught sculptor who six years ago turned his hand to designing furniture, abhors box-shaped houses, rooms and furnishings.

"Why should furniture be symmetrical if the human being is not?" asks Finn, explaining that his environmental "philosophy" is taken from the first Psalm in which the happy man is described as "a tree planted by rivulets of water." He observes that in areas where populations have not been migratory, there is a strong link between the colour of the wood on the trees and the skin pigmentation of the people.

This relationship between human beings and Nature is expressed in many of Finn's furniture creations. For instance, the back view of one of his sculptured chairs conveys the idea of a spine and the cross-legged squat of a human being. Two curved chests of drawers standing side by side, resemble profiles of the torso — one concave and the other convex.

Finn has also come up with some unique space-saving ideas. A compact wall unit with a curved, supporting frame for shelves, provides a cunning hideaway for a family-sized table and benches.

The native Tel Avivian who currently lives in Jerusalem works in oak, walnut, mahogany, avocado and African teak woods, and all his pieces are expertly finished. No two pieces are exactly alike; each is individually crafted by hand and subject to the artist's whims. Completion of each piece takes



A complete natural

Koby Finn's creations are as close to nature as possible, he tells Greer Fay Cashman.

approximately two weeks.

Finn's prices are reasonable, ranging from \$58,000 to \$15,000. He explains that he has not yet learned to place a value on his own talent and charges only for the cost of the wood and labour.

The designer does not sell his work to everyone and is attached to every piece. If he is not satisfied that a table, a chair, a cabinet or a piece of sculpture is going to be a "good home," he refuses to sell.

RECENTLY Finn had an experience with a client who fell madly in love with one of his coffee tables. Finn visited the man's home and stated flatly that under no circumstances would he allow his coffee table to remain there.

"It was catastrophic," he recalls, "but the man was insistent, so I started to rearrange his whole living room, and in the end created the right environment for the table." When he receives a commission,

Finn also visits the "future home" before he starts working to make sure that the item will "belong" in the room where it will be placed.

Finn recently held his first exhibition at Gans Furniture and Furnishings in Jerusalem and the general reaction was overwhelmingly positive. He was incensed however by viewers who exclaimed, "It's beautiful, but it wouldn't fit in with my life style."

"One shouldn't have a home which is uniformly furnished," he says. "There should always be something just a little different, a little out of the ordinary. These days people don't really choose a style. They are influenced by the standards of the society in which they live, and their homes are not organic."

The idea to design and craft furniture came to Finn one day while he was working on a sculpture. He began to explore its possibilities and realized that certain forms could have functional use as well as aesthetic appeal. Today, he considers his furniture "sculpture which is functional."

One of Finn's ambitions is to become involved with construction to create "living fixtures" — such as serpentine bath-tubs and foundation columns which do more than hold up the ceiling.

Part of the Finn exhibit is still on display in the Gans showroom, in Herzog Street, Jerusalem. Anyone wishing to see more of his work can contact him by telephone (02-710227).

Many splendor'd things

Gloria Deutsch meets a house-proud collector.



table with a batik thrown over it and more hand-made lace over that. It is the individual items that are fascinating, like an old carved medicine chest in the corner with bevelled glass windows and shelves. "No, I didn't know the man who made it," Rahel says. "I know him through his work — there are always people who dislike the standard, run-of-the-mill things."

She proudly shows her treasures one after the other: the 200-year-old Yemenite snuff-box given to her by

the shamesh of the local synagogue, the paraffin-seller's bell that she had begged him for after his retirement, the huge school bell that could have come straight from her childhood.

"Look at this," she says enthusiastically, pointing to a very old trunk with a convex top, the kind that must have accompanied many a new immigrant to the golden medinah from the Old Country.

"When I saw it in Jaffa, I went hot and cold. It was identical to the one we had at home when I was a child. I decided I would decorate it without spending a pruta and I took a Persian theme — pieces of silk and torn carpets."

Could it be that Rahel is trying to recapture the lost world of her childhood, the world that vanished with the Holocaust which she escaped by coming to Eretz Yisrael as a young girl, leaving a beloved mother and brother behind? She denies it saying that as long as she "feels good" with something, she will put it in her home.

BUT FOR all that there is a corner of the kitchen, amongst the open shelves decorated with ornate hand-work and old porcelain, devoted entirely to her mother, a strikingly beautiful woman in Edwardian dress.

"For years I couldn't have her picture out, I was burning with anger at our separation, her death. Then in London's Portobello Road I found this lovely old wooden frame, set with a semi-precious stone to keep away evil spirits. It seemed right for her. So now she's here with me and pictures of my daughter and grandchildren." Next to it she keeps a plant in a Delft pot.

"I have something no other Jew in the world has." On the wall of the dining corner is a collection of ceramic memories she has made herself. One of them is shaped like a Star of David. She lights the candle already in it and slowly the flame's reflection grows and flickers against the wall. It is her personal memorial to the six million. Rahel looks at it for a long moment.

"Our trouble is that we are cut off from the things of our parents and grandparents. The architects are guilty. They said everything had to be in one style. If a rich man needed help in decorating his home, the designer would make him throw out the old picture that had belonged to his grandfather saying it was kitsch. The old and new can be together."

She points to a wooden picture frame containing an exquisite petit point picture.

Upstairs the theme is the same — the old, the ornate, the things that unknown craftsmen have laboured over for many hours. The four-poster bed is covered with purple sheets and white lace, and the bed-head is carved with bunches of grapes and vine leaves.

"When my grandchildren sit on the bed and pretend to pluck the grapes and eat them, I know all my years of collecting have been worthwhile," says Rahel.

Her clothes reflect the same rejection of the ordinary that one finds in her house. When I visited her, she was dressed in pink velvet pantslones with Yemenite-embroidered ankle-bands and a purple tunic. It had been torn and mended and the repair turned into an embroidery motif.

Rahel brings more of her distinctive clothes out of the wardrobe. The colours are all the same as those of the house. There is a priest's cassock with huge bell sleeves and richly gathered yoke, edged with lace which she has dyed purple. "If I'd left it white I'd have had to launder it all the time and it would disintegrate. Anyway, I believe my things should serve me — I should not have to serve them. When I wore it at a peace demonstration recently, all the young girls raved about it."

Finally it was out into the luxuriant, overgrown garden where geraniums and begonias bloom out of the most unconventional containers — an old toilet, an Arab cradle, a wash-stand. Rahel has a collection of old kettles, each one bearing a message or a proverb.

"Once upon a time in Israel everyone had one of these old kettles. The women used to vie with each other to keep them as shiny as possible. Then people acquired more money and bought new imported, fancy kettles. They threw out the old ones so I collected them all and gave them a new lease on life."

"The most important part of any home is the entrance. It's the part that receives you. When I come home and I'm feeling a bit miserable, I open my own front gate and see my garden and my porch and begin to feel better."

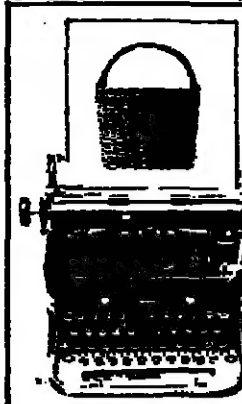
Having seen Rahel's garden and all that lies beyond it, it's not hard to believe that looking at them could make anyone feel better.

On the Market

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Today is edited by Joanna Yehiel.



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ENERGY & THE CONSUMER

How to Produce Electricity in Conditions of Isolation

Geopolitically speaking, the country's electricity system finds itself in an isolated framework similar, perhaps, to that of Berlin in East Germany. Unlike other countries, Israel is unable to import energy from neighbouring countries in time of need. As a result, Israel has at its disposal only relatively small energy reserves. At the same time the country must cope with the continuous growth in electricity demand, which compels it to install relatively large electricity production units. Any damage to such a unit or its cessation of operation, may lead to failure of supply, or compel the use of expensive gas turbines. Faced by such limitations, how has the country's electricity production maintained its fine, high standards? This has been assured by constant checks on the operation of the various units on a weekly or monthly basis. (In many parts of the world such checks are done on an annual basis.)

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Foreign experts say our best chances are in 'super-deep' wells \$45m. this year to drill for oil

By CHARLES HOFFMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The \$45 million to be spent on oil exploration in Israel during the 1982/83 fiscal year will be about \$5 m. more than originally planned, but \$10m. less than the amount needed to exploit to the full the country's drilling and prospecting resources.

The Energy Ministry yesterday released figures on this year's oil exploration budget, after the "mix" of investment sources was finalized by the ministry director-general Uriel Lyon and the head of the Israel National Oil Company (Hanah), Dr. Elazar Barak.

The ministry spokesman said that the \$45m. to be invested in drilling 15 wells would come from the following sources: \$6m. anticipated from private investors abroad; \$8m. from Israeli corporate sources, such as Paz, Fedoil, and the Haifa Oil Refineries; \$4m. anticipated capital raised on the Tel Aviv stock exchange by Magen, a new subsidiary of Hanah; \$10m. from Hanah's own financial resources from the sale of oil and services; and \$17m. from the state budget.

The state budget originally included only a \$12m. contribution to exploration. A senior source in the government oil companies said that it would take between \$30-\$55m. to fully employ the country's manpower and equipment used for drilling and prospecting.

Another \$10m. will be spent on the research and field work necessary to prepare about 25

"prospects," or detailed analyses of potential of particular drilling sites. Two years ago oil exploration lagged due to a lack of sufficient prospects, which investors need in order to decide whether a particular venture is worthwhile.

New investment sources in this year's array are the Magen company, recently approved by the Treasury as a means to raise capital from small investors; and the entry of British Jews into Israel's oil business. Energy Minister Yitzhak Berman recently returned from Britain with promises from several Jewish investors to commit \$2-\$3m. each this year in drilling ventures.

The ministry had set a target of about \$150m. to be invested in drilling and prospecting during the period 1981-83. The state budget is to provide \$40m., Hanah \$40m. and private investors in Israel and abroad \$70m. The extent of private investment has tripled in the last three years.

The funds for this year will pay for about 15 wells, which vary in cost from \$500,000 for a shallow well of several hundred metres, to \$12m. for a "super-deep" well of between 5,500-7,500 metres. One deep well, and maybe two are planned for this year. The most promising sites are Sdom-1 at the Dead Sea, Pleshet-1 in the southern coastal plain, and at Rosh Ha'yin.

Many foreign and local experts believe that the best chances for discovering oil in Israel lie at the bottom of deep and super-deep wells. The one deep well completed so far,

a 6,350-metre hole near Ramallah, turned out to be dry. A well now in progress at Caesarea-3 has gone down to 4,600 metres. But the operators, Israel Oil Exploration (Investments), known as Hanah, recently decided to shift efforts there to a directional drilling stemming off from the main shaft at 1,450 metres.

Last year Hanah tried to raise funds for Sdom-3 on Wall Street by selling shares to small investors represented by the brokerage firm of Rooney Pace. This was the first attempt to finance a government-operated well in Israel through a public offering of shares. The effort failed, according to Barak, due to the U.S. recession, dropping oil prices, and the lowered tax rate for the high brackets, which made risky ventures less attractive.

Another factor was no doubt the cost of Sdom-3, estimated at \$17m. for a 7,500 metre drill — the entire amount of the state budget's contribution this year to exploration.

Since the establishment of the state, 316 gas and oil wells have been drilled, which have produced 16 million barrels of oil up to the end of last year. The vast majority of this came from the Heletz field discovered in the late 1950s. Geological surveys and expert analyses have estimated that there is a potential of 330 million barrels under the land mass of the country. This excludes the Dead Sea region, which is believed to have a potential of several hundred million barrels on its own.

Two firms may add to their Scitex holdings

Post Financial Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Scitex has announced that two of its principal shareholders, Discount Investments and its affiliates as well as Clal Electronic Industries, have given formal notice that they may purchase over the next 12 months up to 350,000 additional shares or 7 per cent of the outstanding ordinary shares of Scitex.

Through this purchase each company and its affiliates will acquire more than 25 per cent of the ownership of the ordinary shares of Scitex. Such ownership will assure both Discount and Clal Electronics that they can use their investments in Scitex in their accounting, using the equity method of accounting. This approach is generally open if approximately 25 per cent of the outstanding ordinary shares of a company are acquired for investment.

Both Discount and Clal Electronics have indicated that they intend to obtain the additional shares by means of open market purchases from time to time and at prevailing prices, or by privately negotiated transactions or a combination of the two methods.

ASSETS. — The total assets of banks in Saudi Arabia stood at more than \$91 billion in March 1982, but the Jeddah-based English language daily *Saudi Gazette* said that the asset growth in the first quarter of the year was only 2 per cent, the slowest growth rate in two years.

STOCK MARKET BRIEFS

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN
Post Financial Reporter

THE COMBINED value of all shares and debentures traded in May was some \$11.7 billion. According to the National Consultants firms, there has been a major change in the composition of securities which make up this figure. At the end of 1979 bonds accounted for more than 60 per cent of the market valuation of securities, while bank shares made up 28 per cent. At the end of 1981 bonds and debentures accounted for only some 37 per cent while bank shares totalled 41 per cent of the total mix.

ON THE SUBJECT of bank shares — the two shares which currently show the lowest price/earnings ratios are IDB Bankholding, with 7 and Union Bank, with 9.

THE STOCK EXCHANGES have published the names of companies which are late filing their annual reports. These include Koor Industries, and Frutarom Electrochemical Industries. While the Koor Industries annual report undoubtedly will make good reading, this is not the case with Frutarom.

The PVC producer has been piling up losses and recently its board Chairman, Moshe Sanbar, resigned. The decision reportedly was connected with his opposition to the appointment of a member by the government to represent its interests. Sanbar felt that his freedom of action would be inhibited by this step.

ISRAEL GENERAL Bank announced recently that it will make a new public offering by way of a rights issue. One of the bank's major shareholders is Isrop SA, a company controlled by Baron Edmond de Rothschild. The latter told *The*

Jerusalem Post during his visit last month that he is satisfied with the progress and profitability of the bank.

LEUMI MORTGAGE Bank announced recently that its balance sheet total rose by 103 per cent in 1981, to \$57.3 billion. During the year the bank extended more than 7,000 new loans, for a total of \$578m. The bank's net profit came to \$597.7m. The bank paid 18 per cent in cash dividends and 80 per cent in bonus shares.

INVESTORS in bank shares whose funds originated in dollars have cause for concern, because the yields of bank shares in April trailed the devaluation of the local currency. In that month the shekel was devalued by 6.7 per cent, while the shares of Bank Leumi yielded only 4 per cent, those of Hapoalim 3.8 per cent and those of IDB 3.8 per cent.

In May, by the 25th of the month, the situation had improved considerably. Up to that point the shekel had been devalued by some 5.7 per cent. The shares of Leumi, however, were ahead by 7.6 per cent, those of Hapoalim by 8.7 per cent and those of IDB by nearly 10 per cent.

THE NEW YORK Stock Exchange listed shares of United Merchants and Manufacturers (UMM) rose to nearly \$7.50 about a week ago. The company has been the object of a major investment by the Eisenberg Group, which now holds more than 20 per cent of its stock. UMM has retired some \$225m. worth of debt, which it accumulated as a result of the bankruptcy of the Robert Hall retail chain a number of years ago. By making a settlement of some \$75m. in cash, UMM increased its net worth by some \$150m. The UMM shares had traded under \$4 a share earlier this year.

Remark by Mitterrand causes franc to drop

PARIS (Reuters). — The French franc fell against the dollar yesterday after reported remarks by President Francois Mitterrand fuelled speculation that the currency could be devalued or withdrawn from the European Monetary System (EMS).

After markets reopened following a long weekend, the franc was fixed in Paris at 6.1775 to the dollar, down on Friday's closing of 6.1200, but still above its record low last March of 6.30. In contrast, the West German mark slipped against the franc to a fix of 2.6029 francs, compared with a Friday closing of 2.6110. Dealers said pressure on the franc, arising from much of the year, since the Socialist administration took office, stemmed from a belief that France's weakening economic performance would make inevitable a devaluation within the EMS, which sets fluctuation limits for its eight member currencies.

Market rumours were strengthened over the weekend when the Paris-based *International Herald Tribune* quoted Mitterrand as saying in an interview that he did not rule out the possibility of devaluation or withdrawing from the EMS.

The president's office denied that

Mitterrand had discussed the subjects in the interview with U.S. journalists last week, but the newspaper said its report was accurate.

Rumours circulating in European capitals suggest the French government could be planning to take the franc out of the EMS, set up in 1979, rather than devoting valuable resources to supporting the currency.

Something fishy

TEL AVIV. — The fish in the Yarkon River are dying by the thousand, and nobody seems to know why.

It was assumed, after thousands of dead fish washed up on its banks during the weekend, that sewage flowing into the river was killing off the fish.

However, the Dan Region sewage department yesterday announced that no liquid sewage enters the Yarkon, but is piped into the sea at the Reading power station, not far from the river's outlet.

The department speculated that the fish may be dying from illegal fishing by means of poison or from chemicals dumped by the power station.

Corfu in message to Knesset committee: Government has no plans to sell El Al airline

By AVI TEMKIN
Post Economic Reporter

The government has no intention of selling El Al, MK Eitan Livni (Likud-Herut) yesterday told a meeting of the Knesset Economic Committee, which debated proposals to ground El Al on Shabbat or to sell it. Livni was citing Transport Minister Haim Corfu, who decided not to attend the debate.

The beginning of the debate, which had originally been open to reporters, was delayed by opposition on the part of members of the Likud faction to the presence of media representatives. Only after lengthy argument was agreement reached to open the deliberations to the press.

There was almost general agreement among committee members on the high price that the economy will pay for the implementation of the Shabbat grounding decision. The step is estimated to cost \$150 million, although MK's of the coalition added that the political and coalition aspects had to be taken into account, too.

MK Yigael Hurvitz (Telam) said that the government's decision would be a death-blow to El Al, and that the company management would not be able to demand from its workers that they make efforts

to effect savings. MK Gad Ya'acobi (Alignment) said that the \$150m. annual loss to the entire economy is larger than the budgets of the Transport and Tourism Ministries together. It would be misleading to say that El Al should be grounded on Shabbat since it is a national company. The Electric Corporation, the Broadcasting Authority and the Airports Authority are all national companies that provide services on the Sabbath.

El Al director-general Yitzhak Shender told the committee that if the company is grounded for one day every week, it will stop being a regular airline. The loss to the company will be \$40m. a year, and will represent a blow to efforts to cut the company's losses, which declined from \$47m. to \$30m. a year.

The director-general added that the high cost of equipment in the hands of El Al makes it necessary to keep the planes in the air as much as possible.

Finance Ministry accountant-general Eitan Raff told the committee that if the government sells El Al, American banks may call in loans made to the company.

Raff said that El Al could reduce its current losses if it could dismiss 600 redundant workers.

14 action c'tees to spur U.S. Jewish tourism

Tourism has high added value

Post Knesset Reporter

Income from tourism in 1981 was \$950 million, with an added value of 85 per cent, compared with income from citrus exports of \$264m., with an added value of 77 per cent, Tourism Minister Avraham Shafir said yesterday when he opened the Knesset debate on his ministry's activities.

He said that in order to receive one dollar, 30 agorot must be invested in agriculture, 26 agorot in industry, but only 8 agorot in tourism.

Shafir said that 1,137,000 tourists visited Israel last year. Of this number 719,000 came from Europe (the leading countries being West

Germany, France, and Britain), and 308,000 from North America.

In order to encourage Jewish tourism from the U.S., which has fallen off, the ministry has set up 14 action committees in large Jewish population centres, Shafir said.

To meet the tough competition of other tourist countries, it was essential that goods and services, including airline tickets, be reasonably priced, the minister added.

In addition to the economic value of tourism, Shafir said, a Jewish tourist "contributes to the feeling of Israel as a land of refuge and leads to greater understanding between nations."

Many former Yamit businessmen seek in no rush to claim compensation

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — About 60 of the 100 Yamit businessmen said shopkeepers whose places of work were shut or destroyed when Israel returned Sinai to Egypt at the end of April, have not yet submitted their compensation claims to the Administration for Compensating the Sinai Evacuees.

According to officials of the Prime Minister's Office, under whose jurisdiction the administration functions, the former settlers are in no great hurry to receive their compensation. This is because the money is fully linked to the cost-of-living index and is also exempt from income tax, making it convenient to delay claiming the money.

According to the businessmen, they are unable to present their

claims because many of the documents required by the officials were lost or destroyed during the evacuation.

The legal adviser of the administration has announced, meanwhile, that a decision may be forthcoming, limiting the period during which claims may be registered to six months from the enactment of the compensation law on April 1. Anyone not meeting the deadline would forfeit his rights, he said, despite the fact that the law contains no statute of limitations.

OIL. — OPEC's market-monitoring committee will meet in Vienna again in the first week of July to review worldwide supply and demand of oil, spokesman Hamid Zaheri said yesterday.

JERUSALEM POST POLL

More than one third of people say living standard has risen

By MARK SEGAL
Post Political Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — Over one-third of the public admit to improved living standards, with nearly one-half saying their lot has not changed either way. This emerged from the poll conducted for *The Post* by the Modi'in Ezrachi Research Institute among a representative sample of 1,233 adults in mid-May.

Question: In comparison to your situation two years ago, how have your living standards fared?

Answers:	per cent
risen considerably	9.4
risen a bit	26.3
stayed the same	44.8
dropped a bit	11.4
dropped a lot	6.3
undecided	1.8

Institute director Dr. Sara Shemer compared the above data with the results of a poll held exactly a year ago, in May 1981, prior to the Knesset elections. The question then asked was: "Should a Likud government return to power, how do you think your living standards would fare?" The survey sample was 1,246 adults.

The answer then were:

	per cent
rise a lot	4.2
rise a bit	12.9
stay the same	53.5
drop a bit	18.0
drop a lot	8.8
undecided	2.6

Shemer noted that in addition to the not inconsiderable one-third expressing their satisfaction with their lot today, a comparison with last year's poll of their anticipations indicates how much things have improved beyond expectations.

She said that the group of people which was most sceptical in last year's poll and predicted a drop in living standards under a second Likud administration belonged to the better-off strata, of the population. In the present poll it is just that social class which reports having done so well.

Examination of the demographic profile of those admitting to improved living standards shows a preponderance of upper-income groups, plus a high ratio of the strata with low educational standards and of many Likud voters.

Entire neighbourhood offered for sale

BEERSHEBA. — A complete neighbourhood, including 40 villas, shops, kindergarten, school and offices has been put up for sale here by the Defence Ministry.

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CRYPTIC PUZZLE

ACROSS

- Strode around a country area (6)
- Drunk, perhaps, at an elevated social occasion (8)
- A rib broken in one place (4)
- Like *curriculum* benches? (6)
- Lucky bit of labour trouble? (6)
- He's reformed in the end (3)
- Adjusted by the turning of a nut by Ed (5)
- Angler's measures? (4)
- She reduces the lengths (5)
- Player with high-pitched voice? (5)
- Acted on the road by the sea (5)
- A job for afterwards? (4)
- Very young, even after starting school (5)
- A meal and a drink (3)
- Heroism on board! (6)
- What some silly goose did in a traffic jam (6)
- Members of the forces? (4)
- He has a little place in the country (8)
- Make a mess of the washing? (6)

DOWN

- Possible reward for the writer of a cheque (6)
- Keeps in the dark, so to speak (6)
- What a simmer can get by taking the hint (4)
- Talk on the box, perhaps (7)
- The stuff to stain, maybe (5)
- Lose what one had in person (5)
- Is at a premium where Ernie's concerned (4)

ACROSS

1. Smash. 6. Eight. 9. Cow hand. 10. Treat. 11. Skirt. 12. Pearl. 13. Pitcher. 15. Tit. 17. Hare. 18. Pariah. 19. Skirt. 20. Cherry. 22. Sell. 24. Her. 25. Scandal. 26. Stilt. 27. Canoe. 28. Attic. 29. A-gala-St. 30. Stars. 31. Hy-Ea.

DOWN

1. Dol. 2. Mar-e-la. 3. Scarce. 4. Hot. 5. Cheer. 6. Eat. 7. I-dol. 8. Harris. 12. Peaks. 13. Phase. 14. Train. 15. Timer. 16. Threw. 18. Props. 19. Sea-legs. 21. Pedant. Pretty. 23. Lotion. 25. Sepia. 26. Sour. 28. Ash.

Yesterday's Cryptic Solution

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EASY PUZZLE

ACROSS

- Put (6)
- Upset (8)
- Too (4)
- U.S. currency (unit) (6)
- Facet (6)
- Drum lightly (3)
- Rabbit-like creature (5)
- Norse god (4)
- Concluded (5)
- Great fear (5)
- Long (5)
- Small pellets (4)
- Burnt remains (5)
- Digit (3)
- Chaffed (6)
- Quiet (6)
- Skin (4)
- Developed film (8)
- Removing moisture (6)

DOWN

- Expert (6)
- Neckpiece (6)
- Entrance (7)
- Squashed (7)
- Excellent, slang (5)
- Mosquitoes (4)
- Singing voice (5)
- Vital juice (3)
- Cushion (3)
- Stringed instrument (5)
- Lifeless (5)
- Dwelling-place (5)
- Age (3)
- Degree of judgment, proficiency (3)
- Abandons (7)
- Positive reply (3)
- Only (6)
- Foot part (4)
- Carrying (6)
- Make amends (6)
- Suspends (5)
- Bind (3)
- Hurried (4)

Solutions to today's puzzle tomorrow

Bigger loans for olim

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN
Post Knesset Reporter

Minister of Immigrant Absorption Aharon Uzan announced yesterday that mortgage loans for new immigrants are now being increased, following an agreement between his ministry, the Treasury, and the Ministry of Housing.

Replying to the debate on his ministry's activities, which took place two weeks ago, Uzan said that in Jerusalem a family of four would be eligible for a loan of 65 per cent of the price of the flat, and a family of five for a loan of 70 per cent.

In the centre of the country, the loan would be 50 and 55 per cent. In development areas, the loan would be 75 per cent of the price of the flat.

Uzan said that despite this rise in the proportion of the loans, there would be practically no increase in the beginning monthly repayment by the new immigrant.

"What we have not yet achieved," he said, is the automatic adjustment of the loan amount, every month or two months, immediately after the extent of the rise in the index is published.

Uzan also said that the question of mortgage loans for single persons was still under discussion. He hoped that a suitable arrangement would be worked out "in the coming days."

To Michael Kleiner (Likud-Herut), who had proposed in the debate that local authorities undertake the responsibility for immigrant absorption, using staff provided by the ministry, Uzan said he was all for this.

In fact, he said, he had raised the subject during his visits to several local authorities, including one in Holon in February.

Holon mayor Pinhas Eilon was enthusiastic over the idea, Uzan said, and the two had begun to work out a plan whereby the municipality would take over the job of absorption "after a certain period."

It transpired, however, that the Interior Ministry objects to the transfer of some of the functions of immigrant absorption to the local authority.

Interior ministry director-general Haim Kuberstein informed Uzan that one of the main reasons for the ministry's objection is that eventually the cost will have to be borne by the local authority — "even though I (Uzan) told him that we would cover the budget."

SEASICKNESS. — The country's first research institute for the study of motion sickness was inaugurated at Meir Hospital in Kiryat Sava this week. It will be run by the navy, Tel Aviv University and Kupat Holim.

By JOSEPH MORGENTHAU

TEL AVIV. — The bulls yesterday refused to panic in the wake of Monday's sell-off and instead they came back with renewed vigour. As a result, 10 issues were "buyers only," while 52 scored gains of 3% or more. The investment community is proving that it is irreplaceable and that it refuses to step on the sidelines for more than one session. Already early in the day, when the continuous trading session was

Shares rebound and advance

taking place, it was evident that the trend would be for higher prices. Index-linked bonds continued to advance by small margins.

The shekel was devalued by six agorot against the dollar.

The Danot shares are beginning to act positively. The 1.0 shares were 8.4% higher, while the 5.0 shares were up by about 6%, when

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taking into account the action in the continuous trading session. Israel General and Maritime 1.0 continued to advance by one per cent or better.

The insurance group moved ahead smartly. Phoenix 0.5 led the group with a 10% advance and was closely followed by Sahar (b), which rose by 9.7%.

Bayside 0.5 and ICP, both with 10% gains, were the only major winners in the land development and real estate group.

Industrials provided most of the

upside action. Ten per cent gains were recorded by Electra 0.5 and Lydzia 0.1, while many other issues came through with gains between 5 and 9%. The new Goldfrost issues continued to attract buyers. The 1.0 stock was "buyers only," while the 5.0 issue was 6% ahead.

The Pama shares were major gainers among a moderately gaining investment company group. The 0.1 shares were up by 6.6%, while the 0.5 shares rose by 8.7%.

Company	Price	Volume	Change	%
Commercial Banks & Bankholding				
Bank Leumi	247.50	9	+0.70	+0.3
Bank Hapoalim	218.80	865.8	+1.0	+0.5
Bank Mizrahi	218.80	10	+0.10	+0.05
Bank Leumi A	655.00	10.3	+0.50	+0.8
Bank Hapoalim A	655.00	10.3	+0.50	+0.8
Bank Mizrahi A	655.00	10.3	+0.50	+0.8
Bank Leumi B	655.00	10.3	+0.50	+0.8
Bank Hapoalim B	655.00	10.3	+0.50	+0.8
Bank Mizrahi B	655.00	10.3	+0.50	+0.8
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Bank Leumi V	655.00	10.3	+0.50	+0.8
Bank Hapoalim V	655.00	10.3	+0.50	+0.8
Bank Mizrahi V	655.00	10.3	+0.50	+0.8
Bank Leumi W	655.00	10.3	+0.50	+0.8
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Bank Mizrahi W	655.00	10.3	+0.50	+0.8
Bank Leumi X	655.00	10.3	+0.50	+0.8
Bank Hapoalim X	655.00	10.3	+0.50	+0.8
Bank Mizrahi X	655.00	10.3	+0.50	+0.8
Bank Leumi Y	655.00	10.3	+0.50	+0.8
Bank Hapoalim Y	655.00	10.3	+0.50	+0.8
Bank Mizrahi Y	655.00	10.3	+0.50	+0.8
Bank Leumi Z	655.00	10.3	+0.50	+0.8
Bank Hapoalim Z	655.00	10.3	+0.50	+0.8
Bank Mizrahi Z	655.00	10.3	+0.50	+0.8

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Cial Lease 0.1 r	610
Cial Lease 0.5 r	340
Cial Lease ap A	557
Cial Lease ap B	260
Cial Lease sc 1	146.5
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Arveh r	1280
Arveh ap r	25000
Arveh sc 1	1335
Aravat 0.1 r	915
Araras 0.1 r	406
Reinsurancce 0.1 r	d2194
Reinsurancce 0.5 r	d1040
Hadar 1.0	2500
Hadar 0.1 r	915
Hasmeh r	1945
Hasmeh b	1955
Hasmeh ap	3431
Phoenix 0.1 r	2252
Phoenix 0.5 r	2131
Yardenia 0.1 r	1775
Yardenia 0.5 r	690
Yardenia ap 1	489
Sahar r	8600
Sahar b	8600
Securitas r	1205
Securitas ap 2	1803
Zur r	—
Zur b	—
Zur ap 1	—
Zion Hold. 1.0	534
Zion Hold. 5.0	295
Commercial Services &	
Delek r	2228
Delek b	2228
Delek db 2	9000
Harel	512
Harel ap 1	858
Cold Store 0.1 r	4000
Cold Store 1.0 r	40000
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Welcome European voice

ONE SWALLOW does not make a summer, but the observations of Belgian Foreign Minister Leo Tindemans during his visit here this week on the subject of Camp David and the EEC's Venice Declaration suggest the possible beginning of a reassessment in the Middle East policy of the European Community.

The special significance of these observations lies in the fact that Mr. Tindemans currently represents not only Belgium but, in his capacity as its chairman, the EEC's council of ministers as well. While his views might not command unanimous agreement among his colleagues, they should nevertheless receive a respectful hearing. After three days of talks in Jerusalem, Mr. Tindemans appears to attach a far higher value to the Camp David accords in achieving a comprehensive peace in the Middle East than the EEC has so far been prepared to grant.

"Autonomy is a very important chapter in the evolution of the situation in this region," Mr. Tindemans told reporters. He proposed that it was "a most important confidence-building measure in the area" which, if pursued "with a creative spirit, with imagination, and amplified," could serve as "a first element of a dynamic" in the achievement of peace.

Clearly Mr. Tindemans was not endorsing Israel's own constricted version of the autonomy, except as a springboard for something rather more "ample." Nor was he urging the immediate scrapping of the two-year-old Venice Declaration, with its espousal of the Palestinians' right to self-determination and the PLO's participation in peace negotiations. He was, however, hinting at the need to update and revise the declaration, noting that, since its adoption, "important elements have changed" in the Middle East scene.

At the same time Mr. Tindemans was serving notice on the host government that any change in the European attitude was contingent on Israel showing the sort of flexibility — meaning the making of further concessions — it had not so far demonstrated. At his meeting with the Belgian diplomat, Premier Begin is reported to have gone to great length — actually stepping on his ailing foot — to emphasize his view that further concessions would jeopardize Israel's very existence.

Mr. Begin's strategy is currently exhibited in the row over the preliminary issue of Jerusalem as a venue for the autonomy talks, when they are resumed. If the premier keeps standing pat the talks may never, in fact, resume. In that case, of course, the hope, held out by Mr. Tindemans, of a European reassessment in the Middle East will swiftly vanish.

A gloomy picture prettified

CONTRARY to the impression created by the public debate that surrounded the firing, last November, of the Bank of Israel governor — after the failure to reappoint his two deputies — the annual report of the central bank has never openly and directly criticized the government's economic policy.

The 26 annual bank reports that preceded the one published on Sunday had in fact, been generally even more restrained than, for example, the annual reports of the State Comptroller. This is not surprising. The central bank is part and parcel of the administration, and its much-vaunted — and recently clipped — independence has always been exercised with a great deal of circumspection.

In the bank's 1981 report, and even more so in Governor Moshe Mandelbaum's presentation of it to the press, that circumspection has, however, been carried to an extreme and absurd length.

Dr. Mandelbaum's statement to the press could just as well have been written by the finance minister himself, with whose policies the governor refrained from taking issue even on a single account. Yet it must be said that the statement was quite at variance with some of the analyses contained in the report itself. The body of the report, in both explicitly and — especially — implicitly, much more critical of the economy's performance last year, and the policy that was responsible for that performance, than might have appeared from Dr. Mandelbaum's tame presentation.

There was, in 1981, economic growth of sorts, fed by an unprecedented surge in private consumption which, at 10.5 per cent, was two and a half times greater than the increase in the gross national product. Public consumption also grew at nearly twice the rate of growth of the GNP. The modest growth of output was more than eaten up by consumption is underscored by the fact that investment in real assets, which had briefly and moderately grown in 1978 and 1979, showed no meaningful sign of revival from its slump in 1980. Real growth, therefore, remains stunted.

The diversion of resources away from investment to consumption — accompanied, inevitably, by a sharp rise of the excess of imports over exports (25 per cent in real terms, if defence imports are excluded) — is the bottom line of the economy's profit and loss statement for last year.

True, industrial exports, excluding diamonds, still grew at 12 per cent, and that was a ray of light, at least for 1981. Unfortunately, that light, too, seems to be going out in 1982.

The major achievement of 1981 — the slowdown of inflation which Finance Minister Yoram Aridor bought at a heavy price of subsidies — might have been a beginning of stabilization, had it been part of a coherent policy rather than an election gimmick. But that achievement, too, has proved to be ephemeral, and it is difficult to see what basis there is for Dr. Mandelbaum's hope that inflation this year can still be kept to 100 per cent or even less — especially since he wants the government's excess demand (the excess of expenditures over receipts) to be sharply reduced. This, of course, means the elimination of the subsidies — and accelerated inflation.

All in all, it is a gloomy picture, despite Dr. Mandelbaum's evident effort to paint it in soothing colours, and the set of recommendations he presented in which there is nothing new or independent enough to arouse even a twinge of ire on the part of the finance minister.

However, the most damning fact revealed by the central bank's report is not economic, but demographic: in 1981, for virtually the first time in the history of the country, there was an excess of emigration over immigration. Israel, it seems, not only fails to attract any longer; it is losing the ability to retain its own people.

This, even more than the deproductivization of the economy, with private savings going into financial assets rather than real investment, with an increasing re-distribution of income and wealth in favour of the affluent, and with increasing dependence on foreign aid, should switch on a red light even for a government that is singularly disinclined in most of what happens outside of Judea and Samaria.

ISRAEL HAS achieved a quiet, but important, diplomatic success in the South Pacific in the past few months, say diplomatic sources in Jerusalem.

They note several postings in Oceania. Without fanfare, three Israeli experts in education and agricultural development have been working in Western Samoa and Fiji. Perhaps more significant, the Israeli military attaché in Singapore has been accredited as a non-resident military attaché in Canberra. Clearly the Israeli defence establishment, hopes to develop important links with Australia, and possibly with other states in the South Pacific.

Over the past two years, say the sources here, the Israeli ambassador to Canberra has been accredited as non-resident ambassador to Fiji, Papua-New Guinea, Tonga and Western Samoa, the newly emergent, but fully-fledged, states of the South Pacific. The Fijian high commissioner to London has been accredited as non-resident ambassador to Israel and now visits Jerusalem twice a year.

The stationing of the Israeli education and agricultural experts in the island states of Western Samoa and Fiji followed a visit to the area by an Israeli exploratory team of experts who assessed the islanders' needs. "They want more experts but Israel just cannot afford it," diplomatic sources say.

One fruit of these newly developed ties was Fiji's agreement to send a military contingent to Unifil.

The recent visit to Israel of

Australian Foreign Minister Anthony Street is also regarded by officials in Jerusalem as a measure of the Oceanian success.

But despite the encouraging situation in Oceania, Israel's diplomatic relations in Asia remain lop-sided and limited, with Israel maintaining 10 embassies on the vast continent but with only four Asian countries — Japan, Burma, the Philippines and Australia — maintaining embassies in Israel (all in Tel Aviv). Most Asian countries do not have resident representation in Israel for reasons of policy or economy, or a combination of the two.

But Israeli diplomats "are active" in attempting to "gain entry" in a number of Asian states "friendly" towards Israel but which have either shunned diplomatic ties altogether or have agreed only to non-resident ones. It is believed that Israel is trying to persuade South Korea and Taiwan to allow the opening of resident Israeli interest offices in their capitals, as a first stage to introducing formal legations.

At the moment, the Israeli ambassador to Tokyo is accredited as a non-resident ambassador to Seoul, which he visits every "month or two." Taiwan has no diplomatic relations at all with Israel, but commercial ties between the two countries are relatively extensive.

Bridges to Oceania

By BENNY MORRIS

REGARDING South Korea, the Philippines and Taiwan, Israeli officials believe that their foreign policy towards the Middle East is in large measure influenced by the "giant construction contracts" between Asian companies and Arab states, including Libya and Saudi Arabia. One result of these contracts, and other projects, is that thousands of skilled and semi-skilled Asians are working in Arab countries. "The annual revenue from these contracts and the sending of money home by the workers amounts to \$3b-\$4b, each for South Korea and the Philippines, which is not negligible," diplomatic sources here note.

As for the two Asian giants, China and India, the diplomatic sources do not see any signs of an impending change in attitude to, or relations with, Israel.

China since Mao Tse-tung — largely governed by Deng Hsiao-ping and his nominees — is "anti-Soviet" and "pragmatic," and these two considerations dictate its Middle East policy. The Chinese believe they cannot support or identify with Israel, because they do not want the Arab states falling into Soviet hands.

Chinese diplomats abroad do not

meet with Israeli diplomats. But there is a difference in attitude between the "old-time" Maoist diplomats and the followers of Deng. The latter will say "hello" to Israelis, whereas the others "run in the opposite direction, as if from the plague," say the sources.

Yet the pragmatic face of Chinese policy, according to recent press reports, has not barred relations with Israelis on a completely professional, informal footing. Thus a recent press report had it that Israelis are working on a mining venture inside China, an undertaking in Shaoh Eisenberg's extensive industrial empire.

At the end of last year, Jewish Agency Settlement department co-chairman Ra'anan Weitz met in Tokyo with a team of Chinese agricultural experts during an international conference on settlement. Later, Weitz told newsmen that the Chinese exhibited great interest in Israeli expertise in regional settlements and cooperative agricultural development. It is not impossible that Israeli experts in these fields will in the near future work in China on such projects. "But the Chinese will not arrange this through formal channels, but we remain hopeful," the diplomatic sources say.

China supports the Camp David process, as it has made clear to Egyptian officials, but it also supports Palestinian self-

determination.

There is little hope in Israeli circles that Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi will agree to an extension of ties with Israel beyond the Israeli consulate in Bombay.

Many Asian leaders have great respect for the power and influence of the Jewish communities in the West, especially in the U.S.

JAPANESE-ISRAELI relations are correct and amicable, despite differences between the two states regarding the Middle East conflict. Trade between the two amounts to \$400m-\$500m annually, with Israeli exports to Japan including electronic equipment, such as computers and sophisticated medical equipment.

In a number of Asian states there is respect for Israel and a feeling of a common experience based on the antiquity of cultures. This is one of the reasons for the warmth of Israeli-Thai relations.

Israeli agriculture and education experts work in the Thai hinterlands, and there is a large embassy in Bangkok. Students of Thailand's important National Defence College annually visit Israel as part of their programme, taking in the country and seminars on Middle East problems. The Thai king, Bhumibol, despite being a constitutional monarch, wields great influence, especially in the Thai army, and is known to be very friendly towards Israel.

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READERS' LETTERS

THE LASKY-ELON CONTROVERSY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — With reference to Amos Elon's letter of May 3, I am afraid that he did in fact make the remarks which I quoted him as saying in my article in The Jerusalem Post and that I did in fact hear them. I found them astonishing enough to record them in my journal that very evening in Jerusalem.

I had at the time no intention of quoting them. But I became subsequently so distressed at the lackadaisical approach to fact and truth in that erratic story about Israeli censorship — and to much else in Israeli life when intellectuals begin to crusade against (in Elon's phrases) "arbitrary rule and disorderly administration of the law" — that I felt compelled to try and pinpoint the sheer ideological bias involved.

Israeli readers who know Amos Elon's political writings will have to judge, and either take his word or mine, as to whether my account of his views were "freely invented" or not. He had written a sensational story about a notorious list of books — important literary and historical works, from Shakespeare to Walter Laqueur — being censored; and he defended his *Ha'aretz* piece even though the evidence was unsubstantiated and flimsy; for he was convinced that "arbitrary rule" must anyway lead to "book burnings." He was, on that evening in Jerusalem, about to leave (as he told me when we tried to make another appointment) to cover the Druse arrests and "semi-fascist" police repression which, he gave me to

believe, was something close to "concentration camps."

This is what I reported in my article which appeared in The New Republic (Washington), The Spectator (London), and The Jerusalem Post (and from there reprinted in the New York Post). What I have called the sheer ideological bias — taking a flimsy allegation (originally, I understand, Ory Bernstein's) and making a thesis out of it — should be clear to every reader by Amos Elon's crude and rude attempt to tar me with a German brush. He refers sinisterly to the *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung* (which also published a translated text). He says about "such extravagant statements" that "if they reflected my thinking, I would not have first voiced them at a cocktail party to a near stranger and a contributor to a German (his italics) newspaper to boot..." We are not such strangers for him not to know that I am an American, and a Jew, and that I have edited the Anglo-American monthly magazine *Encounter* for 25 years in London. Surely credentials enough to have a frank chat at a cocktail party.

But that is precisely the trouble with a large part of contemporary journalism. It goes to wild lengths to make an ideological point, exaggerating or fabricating or smearing along the way. And when the argument begins to falter, it drags in the smelly herring.

MELVIN J. LASKY
Editor,
Encounter Magazine
London.

THE TEMPLE MOUNT

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — In describing the archaeological park at the southern end of the Temple Mount, Abraham Rabinovich allows a contradiction to slip into his article of May 21. He quotes Meir Ben-Dov as regards the Israeli archaeologists' attitude toward Islamic finds that "our decisions were scientific, not political. I decided to keep structures from every period." Two paragraphs further on, Mr. Rabinovich writes that under the Temple priests were discovered under the Triple and Double Huda Gates and that they extended under Al-Aksa. According to the article, "because of political sensitivities, they were sealed up several years ago in the presence of Wakf officials."

What is apparent in this incident is that Jewish officialdom, from the Ministry of Religious Affairs, the Education Ministry's Department of Archaeology to the Jerusalem Municipality's unit for inspecting construction all seem to display that unique Jewish penchant for bending over backwards. Over the years,

finds of historical and archeological importance have either been destroyed or covered over, by the Wakf, especially when these relate to the former Jewish character of the Temple Mount. These actions have been ignored by our state institutions. Indeed, a municipal building inspector sent to the Temple Mount because of a complaint by MK Genua Cohen concerning possible illegal construction there was refused entry because he was wearing a skullcap!

It is unfortunate that over the past 15 years, the Temple Mount has suffered an insensitivity that has perhaps succeeded in erasing all elements of Jewish identification with Judaism's most sacred site, be they religious, national or archeological. Our state bodies have bowed their heads before Moslem intransigence and violence, refuse to permit Jewish prayer, ignore the damage done there and seemingly submit to the axiom that the Temple Mount is an exclusive Moslem enclave.

YISRAEL MEDAD
El Har Hashem Society
Jerusalem.

NEW PROJECT

IN KIRYAT SHMONA

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Next August, in cooperation with Rafael, the Armaments Development Authority, Kiryat Shmona will inaugurate an electronic enterprise. Its purpose is to increase and vary the employment infrastructure of this northern town.

The engineers of the enterprise will combine teaching at the local Danziger Comprehensive School with their work at this technologically advanced industrial enterprise. This combination is a rare challenge for those interested in such industrial work and the education of our future generation.

The enterprise and the school still require a few appropriate candidates. Engineers and technicians who seek Zionist fulfillment are requested to contact us as soon as possible.

ZVI TZAMERET, Headmaster,
Danziger Comprehensive School,
P.O.B. 63
Kiryat Shmona.

PARTY FAITHFUL

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Professor Spyros Doxiadis of Greece is one of the outstanding international pediatricians of our time. Among other positions he held, he was a most successful minister of health in the Greek government. A letter received from him recently may be appropriately quoted because of what is happening in our country:

"I wish to acquaint you with some changes in my work, activities and address."

"At the last general elections, a socialist party came into power and formed our present government. This government has adopted the view that, in all positions of some importance and authority, even if they have nothing to do with politics, only faithful followers of their party should be appointed. As a result of this policy, I have been replaced as president of the Institute of Child Health and the same applies to other members of the executive committee. Since the same thing happened during the period of the military dictatorship, I am used to such changes, although I must admit that I am surprised that a democratic party imitated the policies of a totalitarian regime."

"I hope that I may be able to continue some of my activities and to pursue my scientific interests in some other way."

PROFESSOR STANLEY LEVIN
Kaplan Hospital
Rehovot.

NUCLEAR POWER

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — With reference to Professor Radkowsky's letter on the safety of nuclear power stations from bomb attacks (May 24), I wish to raise a number of points.

The Professor's statement, "all nuclear power stations... have a massive containment to guard against a nuclear catastrophe" is misleading in this context. The containment is designed for withstanding the internal heat and pressures and isolating the radioactive material resulting from the nuclear reaction inside the reactor. Very few people within the nuclear industry have seriously maintained that a nuclear reactor is capable of withstanding a direct bomb attack.

Radkowsky actually acknowledges this by then adding that an Israeli reactor would have a special design to discourage any attack, such as placing it underground. This may be perfectly feasible, but it would also be completely uneconomical for the generation of electricity.

An attack on an Israeli nuclear reactor, whether by terrorists (a reality in Spain and France) or in war, would be extremely likely for the following reasons:

1. Modern technology has also allowed the development of precision weapon delivery systems, making a direct hit on the reactor core possible.

2. A nuclear reactor, if bombed, will release its radio-activity downward; thus a single successful bomb attack would devastate a large part of Israel.

3. As highly centralized power sources, nuclear reactors and conventional power stations would be prime targets for crippling the internal functioning of the country.

4. A nuclear reactor allows the development of a military nuclear capability, which Israel claims not to possess at present. Since this is usually perceived as a threat, not a deterrent, by opposing parties, it might well be subject to the same treatment as the Iraqi reactor.

Israel has great potential for developing solar, wind and wave projects for the generation of electricity and other energy forms. These can be small, allowing decentralization, and are both safe in their normal operations and less vulnerable as a target for the enemy.

NIGEL POLLARD
Kibbutz Merhavia.

"STREET PEOPLE"

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Yesterday I purchased a copy of Helga Dudman's book, "Street People." Today I finished reading it and bought additional copies for gifts to friends abroad.

What a delightful book and what a lovely way to learn history. I anxiously awaited its publication from the time the articles first appeared in your paper.

In the book Mrs. Dudman mentions that she doesn't know of even a small lane named for Pinhas Rutenberg while the Readings have

their power plant and street in Ramat Aviv.

Well, Rehov Pinhas (Ruttenberg) does exist, in Ramat Gan, near the old location of the Knesset theatre. It is a large street which runs from the Ramat Gan Orr High School (Yair Ben Eliezer Street) to Harosh Street. Unfortunately, the residents (and street signs) only call it Rehov Pinhas, so very few people know that it was named for Ruttenberg.

ELI ZACKLER
Ramat Gan.

TV CHEEK

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — If anybody wanted to know the meaning of the word *chutzpa*, there it was on our TV screens, when the speaker had the cheek to remind us to pay the TV fee plus a 10 per cent fine for those who had not paid on time.

I wonder what fine the Broadcasting Authority will pay to all those honest and law-abiding citizens who always pay their fees on time, but are getting in return some old atrocious films and on top of it all have been deprived of colour for some time now and have to watch all these dreary programmes in black and white.

L. ARONOWICZ-RON
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